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Water Board Overhauls Remodel Rules

ACCEPTING AN AWARD FOR HIS PRESERVATION of Mission Ranch, Clint Eastwood joked with Virginia Stanton, president emeritus of Carmel Heritage, and president Roger Newell at a barbecue on Sunday. The late Marjory Lloyd also was honored by the group. (Story on page 9.) *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

By Stan Hall

Partly reversing themselves, directors of the water management district voted tentatively Monday night to again allow homeowners to remodel using credits from retrofitting existing water-using devices.

At the same time, they voted to keep a provision in controversial Ordinance No. 62 permitting remodeling projects which add up to 10 fixture units even in the absence of credits if the jurisdiction debits its future water allocation for the additional use.

The action came on a 6-0 vote as the board struggled with how to solve the controversy that erupted Aug. 1 when Ordinance 62 went into effect, stopping the practice of allowing credits for remodeling for retrofitting during the 19-month building moratorium.

At the insistence of Supervisor Sam Karas, who sits as an appointed member of the board, members agreed to schedule a special meeting at 4 p.m. Oct. 5 to vote on the new provisions. Karas pushed for action prior to the Oct. 6 supervisors meeting because he had scheduled a public hearing on the controversy.

Director Ken Long, an original supporter of Ordinance 62, made the motion to revise and liberalize the remodeling rules. He acted after the board wrestled for half an hour with how to "grandfather" homeowners who were caught unawares when the rules suddenly changed.

Pat Bernardi, a former chairman of the board and a member of the Residents' Water Committee, testified that while the rules change was well intentioned, "62 backfired. There was no need for an ordinance. What we were doing before worked quite well, and 62 does have the effect of discouraging retrofitting."

As he has before, Long explained that the board approved 62 not realizing that the water district staff was issuing permits for remodeling based on retrofit credits. Long said that amounted to "double counting" savings, since it already had been accounted for when directors adopted an allocation ceiling.

"Something is wrong somewhere when people can't fathom it. It was working before. The public doesn't understand it. I don't understand it," commented director Jim Hughes.

In making his motion to revise the rules, Long added a provision that the district would have to keep track of any additional water that would be used because of the change and add that amount to the deficit that the district has calculated as part of a so-called allocation EIR.

Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman, who formerly served on the board, appeared to urge changes in the rules, calling them well intentioned, "but the effects were devastating." She also urged the board to give consideration to 22 applicants from the county who were caught up "in process" when the building moratorium was imposed in January of 1991. The board agreed to consider those cases for some possible relief.

During the debate Hughes took the lead in saying that the water management district needed to give jurisdiction over land use issues—such as whether to give priority to remodeling or existing lots of record—back to the cities and that area of the county which lies within the district.

Chairman Dale Hekhuis agreed, saying "We should put the monkey on the back of the jurisdictions. They've tried to put it on our our back."

As for the idea of allowing the jurisdictions to approve remodeling even without credits if they were willing to debit their

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Get out your pail and shovel! The sandcastle contest will be Oct. 3

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Budget Paints Bleak Picture for Carmel

By Isabelle Hall

Faced with a bleak picture of Carmel's aging infrastructure, the City Council moved Tuesday to save the popular Recreation Department and install a layoff policy to cut staff to balance a "barebones" $7,299,063 budget for fiscal year 1992-93.

Acting City Administrator Greg D'Ambrosio proposed a budget some $1.1 million less than last year with the restoration of some expenditures in an unbalanced $8.7 million budget in 1993-94. Final action was set on the biennial budget next Tuesday at 3:30 p.m.

D'Ambrosio proposed doing away with the Recreation Department to save $45,000, raising or adjusting fees by $20,000 and cutting $177,241 through staff severance and downsizing that will leave seven permanent positions unfilled in the current fiscal year. But he passed on a harsh warning from an employee budget committee that if city maintenance is deferred too long it "will ultimately leave the city's assets in ruin."

The Recreation Department proved to be the flashpoint when the City Council met Tuesday for its first public hearing on the budget. Councilwoman Barbara Livingston struck a nerve when she supported the staff proposal to cut it, suggesting people could travel over the hill to Monterey where there were excellent recreational facilities. Councilwoman Barbara Brooks agreed, but when Mayor Ken White suggested keeping the facility with just one supervisor, the vote was 3-2 with White, Brooks and Councilman Bob Fischer in favor and Livingston and Councilman Phil Coniglio opposed. The decision would cut about $15,000 and require further staff cuts. D'Ambrosio said, "I can't give you the figures next Tuesday."

"I am appalled by the idea that anyone from this council would suggest our youngsters go to Monterey because they have such a good program when I see a sum of $259,000 for part time help," Fischer declared.

Fischer pushed for reduction of $259,000 in seasonal help instead of cutting permanent staff under a layoff policy adopted Tuesday. The policy was prepared at the last minute and approved by the four city labor groups after the staff discovered the city had never had layoff procedures.

The proposed 1992-93 budget is $1.1 million less than the previous year's spending based on anticipated revenues of $6,943,233. It will be balanced with savings from a combination of cuts and the proceeds of a $439,000 refund for overpayment to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS).

D'Ambrosio pointed out that there are reserve funds of about $2 million and, "The bottom line is we're not poor." He said all the reserve funds had been set up since 1982.

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Lot Found for Pescadero Swap

The City of Carmel has negotiated what "appears to be an agreement" with property owners of land bordering an unimproved portion of Ninth Avenue between Mission and Junipero to swap with a developer for his lot on Pescadero Canyon.

Such a trade would help preserve the steep canyon which forms the north border of the city with Del Monte Forest in Pebble Beach. A group called Friends of Pescadero Canyon was formed recently to halt any further development.

Acting City Administrator Greg D'Ambrosio said that after an initial meeting with the neighbors who have an interest in the right of way on the unimproved portion of Ninth Avenue that fronts on Mission Street opposite Sunset Center "the ball was in the court of Tescher/Levett. They were able to develop some sort of idea for the concept of a house. The neighbors feel comfortable so far."

D'Ambrosio said the city right of way had been appraised at about $290,000. He did not disclose the value of the right of way owned by the adjacent neighbors. The next step, D'Ambrosio explained, would be for Tescher/Levett to present their proposal to the City Council for approval, currently scheduled for Oct. 6.

The idea for a trade was first suggested nearly two years ago when builder Chris Tescher brought plans for development of the 24,000-square foot canyon parcel to the Planning Commission for approval. The commission passed a Negative Declaration and gave him a use permit to build a house, pending some sort of action by the council.

The decision was appealed to the council by Friends of Pescadero Canyon which demanded the city save the environmentally sensitive area from further development. That appeal is pending. Meanwhile, the council went on record as wanting to save the canyon as long as it didn't cost the city money.

No announcement of the apparent agreement was made. It was simply put on the agenda for the Planning Commission Wednesday which met after the *Sun* had

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LETTERS

Firefighters' Efforts Are Appreciated

Several weeks ago, a fire broke out in the Jamesburg area. Thanks to a remarkable response time by the Cachagua Volunteer Fire Company and the California Division of Forestry, damage was minimal.

On behalf of the members of the Cachagua Area Property Owners Association and the residents of the Parrot Ranch Road area, we wish to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all crew members involved.

This incident had potential for real devastation; due to the efforts of these dedicated fire fighters, it was extinguished quickly. Situations such as this reinforce just how valuable these fire companies are to our remote area. Our sincere thanks for their efforts.

Jeanne P. Mileti, Corresponding Secretary
Cachagua Area Property Owners Association

Demagogues Rant, Rave, Threaten

In times of financial crisis, demagogues emerge to rant, rave, posture and threaten.

A tiny group, calling themselves the Citizens for Good Government falsely accused a legally constituted organization of citizens numbering nearly 500 of trying to unduly influence the political process while arrogantly threatening dire consequences to three out of five council persons if they fail to act upon a "plan" proposed by this elitist committee of 12 self-appointed arbiters of community goals and values.

They say that the Carmel Residents Association should have no voice but that they—this exceptional and more worthy dozen—should speak for all of us.

While decrying the abrasive politics they claim to have emerged in Carmel-by-the-Sea, they continue to add immeasurably to the atmosphere of incivility and discord by use of the oldest devices in the spin doctor's bag—misrepresentation, prevarication and bombast.

If we're to weather this economic storm, please let's have a little silence so that our duly elected officials can think instead of wasting time defending themselves against preposterous accusations and baseless charges.

Robert Campbell
Carmel

Lion Safety Meeting Worthwhile

The mountain lion safety information presented so well by organizer Nanse Browne and researcher Don Neal was needed and appreciated.

The comments and questions from the community seemed to be sincere and were helpful to me.

It is important to hear the pros and cons. I want to also thank you for your coverage in the Sept. 17 issue of *The Sun*.

Fear may be the common denominator from all sides of the debate. Fear that the cougar will become extinct or that we will never run out of them. Fear that the research is inadequate or nonexistent or true. Fear based on too little or too much information. Fear of our anger that the other guy is wrong and that we are right.

Now that Proposition 117 protects the cougars, how do we insure that the public is kept informed and also protected from animals that can reproduce every 100 days?

Pat Baylor
Carmel Valley

Why Not Work Peaceably?

I don't understand why the Citizens for Good Government targeted only three of the five members of the Carmel City Council with their threatening and demanding letter. If they want action, why don't they try to work peaceably with all the council members rather than threaten three of them.

Oddly enough, they accuse Councilwomen Barbara Brooks and Barbara Livingston of responsibility for the purchase of the Hodges property when neither of them were even on the council at the time of the transaction. And they seem to forget that Councilman Bob Fischer, whom they are not threatening, voted for the purchase.

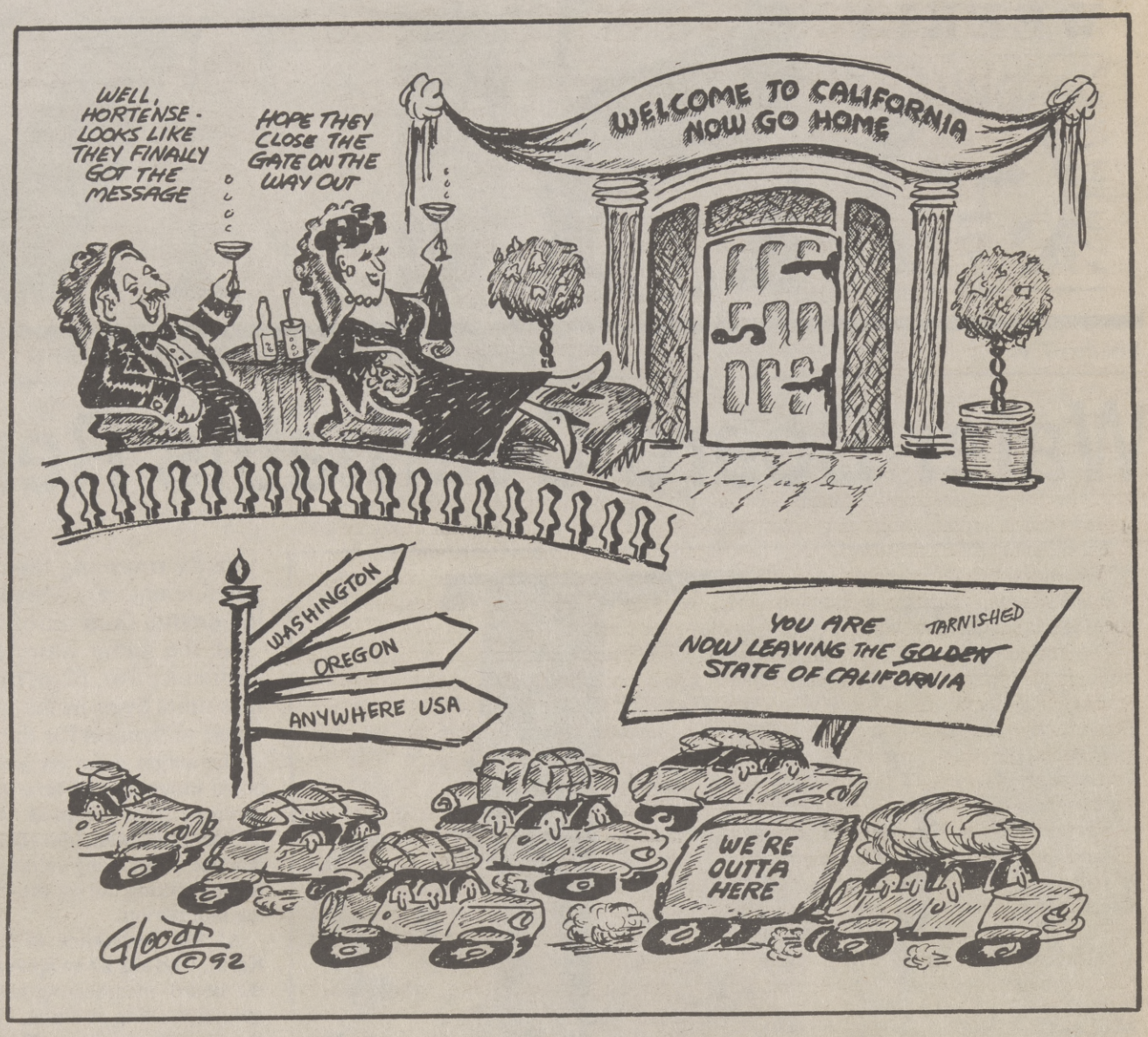
The same is true of the First Murphy project; Barbara Livingston wasn't on the council, and Bob Fischer voted in favor of the park.

They complain about the Floor Area Ratio (FAR) issue (again, Livingston wasn't on the council), but members of the CCGG were among those who demanded an election. And although they like to call it a landslide, in reality, they won by 94 votes which means the town was almost evenly divided on the issue.

Finally, the ultimatum from the commercial landlord-oriented CCGG asks the three Councilpersons to "place community above self-interest and political ambition."

I ask, who is it that is operating for self-interest and political ambition.

Paule E. Missud
Carmel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WE'RE OUTTA HERE
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More Lines for Bow Bells

Thanks to Mary Artigone, who telephoned me but is not listed in the telephone book, here is an amended version of the verse about the Bow Bells of London that my mother used to sing to me at bedtime.

"Oranges and lemons,
"Say the bells of St. Clement's.
"You owe me five farthings,
"Say the bells of St. Martin's.
"When will you pay me?
"Say the bells of Old Bailey.
"When I grow rich,
"Say the bells of Shoreditch.
"When will that be?
"Says the big bell of Lee.
"That I don't know,
"Says the great bell of Bow.
"Here comes a candle to light you to bed
"Here comes a chopper to chop off your head."

Part of this is from "The Oxford Dictionary of Quotations, 2nd Ed., which says it is originally from Tommy Thumb's Pretty Song Book, (c. 1744).

Other lines are dredged from my memory and from that of Mary Artigone who called after you printed my first letter about Isabelle Hall's reference to the Bow Bells in the Sept. 1 Sun. (I'm 86 and my memory isn't too good!)

When my mother sang the last two lines, she always chucked me under the chin and said, "Chin chopper, chin chopper, chin chopper."

Cherrie Waldo
Carmel

Everybody likes to read interesting, provocative letters to the editor. Write to *The Weekly Sun*, P.O. Box 931, Carmel Valley, CA 93924-0931. Include your name, address and telephone number. Please keep it as short as you can and still make your point.

A Classic Battle for What Is Left?

There has been a call to arms sounded in our town, but the trumpet from which it emanates is not one of our own. A small number of merchants and landlords have concocted a cynical and almost Machiavellian plot to keep the city in turmoil in the hope residents, tiring of their petty whining, will do almost anything to end the bickering. They have taken a maxim, much in vogue in today's national politics, which says if you tell the same lies often enough and loud enough some voters may begin to believe them.

The difficulty is sometimes it works. Therefore, residents ought to understand what this little cabal is after. Their goal is to weaken the authority of elected government in order to increase their own power. The power they are after, specifically, is the ability to regulate to their own personal whim and profit the number, type, size and street-front design of commercial businesses in Carmel.

Their method, in which the *Pine Cone* has clearly enlisted, is to keep fomenting discord and dissatisfaction, confuse the voters with unsubstantiated charges and then demand a recall election.

Recall elections are a favorite tool of those who wish to overturn legitimately elected government because fewer people vote in recalls. If one can energize one's own clique to vote, and confuse and tire the rest of the electorate, sometimes one can defeat the will of the majority of residents. Sometimes one can steal an election and the power that comes with it. That is the ultimate goal of this clique.

Voters may forget the City Council is the only entity in Carmel which represents them by virtue of having been elected by a majority of them. The so-called CCGG was not constituted in a Carmel election by resident-voters, and one wonders in what darkened back-rooms have they sensed the will of the people? Through what secretive, locked doors has the voice of the people penetrated their ears?

This is a classic battle between those who wish to preserve what is left of Carmel's residential character and those who would sell that character for profit in desperate economic times. These same influences have destroyed la Jolla, Hyannisport and many other once-charming, small communities. To turn our town over to the cabal of 12 power brokers would be irreversible disaster. They can wait to have their say in the next regular election along with the rest of us. For their edification, that is what we call democracy.

D. Patrick Gallagher
Carmel

No Need to Resign the CRA

Even given that the Carmel Residents Association is a political organization, there should be no need for Ken White, Barbara Brooks and Barbara Livingston to disaffiliate from it any more than Chicago Mayor Richard Daley of Chicago should disaffiliate from the Democratic Party or Gov. Pete Wilson of California should disaffiliate from the Republican Party.

They all govern, and they all retain their affiliation whether or not people agree with their political decisions.

Erling Langerholm
Carmel

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No Immediate Water for Veeder Ranch, District Board Decides

Tim Condon acknowledged his plan to develop a Veeder Ranch subdivision in Carmel Valley suffered "another setback" Monday night when the water management district decided against allocating any water from the old Water West system.

On a unanimous vote, the board took no action, questioning the accuracy of figures showing reputed savings from infrastructure improvements in the system since Cal-Am Water Co. bought it in 1989.

After the water board meeting, Condon told the *Sun* that the decision meant that his project still would be stalled by the district's building moratorium. It recently won approval of a tentative site map from the County Planning Commission.

"We would like to have not been under it (the moratorium), but that is just the way it goes. We'll just have to wait."

Condon has proposed a 27-lot subdivision on his property off Boronda Road, scaling back from an initial 30-lot plan. Representing him, Skip Marquard, a Valley real estate man, said Condon had received "continued assurances" since 1978 that water would be available for the project.

He said Veeder Ranch would only need 12 acre-feet (AF), noting that past production figures indicated that some 100 AF should be available from the Water West wells. He said only Veeder Ranch and a handful of lots of record remain to be developed within the Water West boundaries, suggesting plenty of water was available to serve them.

Marquard argued that even if the board did not dedicate 12 AF from an estimated savings of 53 AF since 1989, it should award the savings to the county's allocation.

Pat Bernardi, a member of the Citizens' Water Committee, urged the board not to allocate any savings. In addition to questioning the conservation figures, she said: "Our major concern... is how desperate the board might get because of the moratorium. We're concerned that water saved while (the district was) on rationing will be allocated to allow new growth."

Cal-Am General Manager Larry Foy assured the board that the savings were real, saying system losses would be cut to 8 percent this year as a result of replacement of leaky main lines and storage tanks.

"Any district which saves water deserves to keep it," Foy said. "This water belongs to the county."

But board member Ken Long moved that the board take no action, noting that member Dick Heuer, who was absent, had raised a germane point earlier in questioning whether credit should be given "for fixing a big leak."

Chairman Dale Hekhuis agreed, saying "leaks are constantly developing and being fixed. If we should agree to this, what about all the other jurisdictions? (They) could all come in and say, 'we've got all this water because of the leaks we've repaired.'"

Director Fran Farina, who seconded Long's motion, said she was "reluctant to give Cal-Am credit for all the savings... when rationing was in effect in all of 1990 and part of 1991."

GET OUT YOUR PAIL AND SHOVEL, it's sandcastle time again come Oct. 3. "Creature Castles" will be the theme of the 32nd annual Carmel sandcastle contest. It attracts hundreds of participants and thousands of spectators. Above, a saucy Cinderella was a part of last year's winner. *Sun file photo*

Great Sand Castle Contest Is Oct. 3

Carmel's 32nd Sandcastle contest will be held Oct. 3, the Recreation Department quietly announced this week.

Breaking with the tradition of springing the date of its popular sandcastle contest on castle-builders at the last minute, department directors Jerry Pullen and Mike Gorczyca simply slipped the announcement into their regular *Sun* column, "Fun-by-the-Sea."

The theme this year will be "Creature Castles" for the contest, co-sponsored by the American Institute of Architects Monterey Bay Chapter and the city. The contest annually draws up to 3,000 people to the beautiful beach.

A lifesize sand sculpture of Cinderella at "Three Minutes Past Midnight" won the Golden Shovel award last year when the theme was "Enchanted Castles in a fairy Tale World." The winners were a group of students from the University of California at Berkeley who won for the third time. There were about 50 entries and almost all depicted some type of castle, including "Snoopy" with his dog house.

Graham Matthews of Carmel Valley, who has been an entrant for some 30 years, put a political twist on his entry, however, with a replica of the U.S. Supreme Court in a subtle comment on Roe V. Wade.

Remodel Rules Changed

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future allocation, Hughes said:

"They can't get too generous because they don't have it (water) to be generous with."

As if to underscore the point, general manager Jim Cofer reported on the Seaside City Council meeting Sept. 17. Councilmembers unanimously denied an appeal from the Planning Commission's decision that a focused environmental impact report (EIR) should be prepared before water is used from the Paralta well.

Long awaited as the most likely source of the new water which must be available before the moratorium can be lifted, the well will now continue to sit idle until at least the end of the year, Cofer estimated. When the moratorium was first imposed, board members said they were looking for the Paralta well to come on stream as early as April of 1991.

Saying Seaside Mayor Lance McClair had promised to expedite the drafting of the EIR, Chairman Dale Hekhuis said he could understand how residents in the neighborhood were concerned about the storage and transportation of chemicals needed to treat water from the well.

"It was unfortunate that there was no more discussion on the impact of continuing the moratorium," Cofer responded.

During the debate over the remodeling rules, Mayor David Pendergrass of Del Rey Oaks, another appointed member of the board, agreed "the moratorium has gone on too long. We need to provide water for this district."

Noting that she voted against Ordinance 62, director Fran Farina said, "We do have a mess on our hands. We had a system that was working. If we went back to it, we'd be better off."

She argued that if the board tried to solve the controversy simply by "grandfathering" a certain set of pending applications, the jurisdictions would "try to sign off on as many as they can" since the water for them would not be charged against their allocations. "It would behoove them to certify as many as possible, because that water would come out of the district's allocation."

For his part, Hekhuis said he was "willing to take a pause from the long-term (conservation) goal to provide some liberalization. Maybe we should take a temporary hit for the duration of the moratorium... The likelihood of near-term (water use) intensification is low."

Most members agreed with his assessment of the short-term impact on available water supplies. But most also seemed to agree that remodeling which adds bathrooms and other water using appliances could lead to greater long-term use once property changes hands.

When Karas pressed for quick action, Farina asked the district's counsel, David Laredo, if Long's motion could be approved as an emergency ordinance to become effective more speedily.

"What's the urgency?" Laredo asked.

"What's the urgency?" Farina replied, "The community is ready to kill us."

When Laredo said an emergency ordinance must be based on health, safety or public welfare considerations, Farina said, "What about the welfare of your directors?"

Budget Accord to Cost Water District $250,000

Calling it "gut-wrenching," the financial manager for the water management district estimated Monday night that it could lose about a quarter of its tax income as a result of the state budget settlement.

Ray Millard told the board that he estimated the loss would be in the range of $250,000 to $275,000 out of normal tax revenues to the district of close to $1 million a year.

Saying all the impact had not been assessed, he reported the district's loss could be as much as $300,000, depending on how the settlement legislation is interpreted, but he didn't think it would be that high.

Millard said General Manager Jim Cofer would report to the board in October on the final size of the loss and recommend how to handle it.

At whatever level, Millard said the reduction would be acutely felt because the district was receiving virtually no connection fees as a result of the building moratorium.

From At-Large to by District

Advisors Set for Water Elections Change

A citizen advisory committee has been formed to guide the water management district's creation of five voter districts to replace the at-large election of five directors in time for the Nov. 3, 1993, balloting.

The city of Carmel will be represented by Howard Nieman and John Thodus, while Patricia Bernardi and Robert Greenwood were named by Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman to represent the 5th district. Fred L. Nason of Carmel Valley will also serve, representing the Esselen Indian Tribal Council.

Members of the committee, nominated from various jurisdictions and ethnic groups, were announced at the regular monthly meeting of the board Monday Night. The initial meeting of the committee will be held Oct. 5 at 7 p.m. in Sunset Center's Carpenter Hall.

Officials said each member will be provided a copy of an initial report by demographers Lapkoff and Associates in advance of the meeting.

The board, responding to criticism that it was heavily weighted with residents from Carmel Valley, Carmel and Pacific Grove, agreed July 20 to appoint the advisory group which is scheduled to finish its work by the end of the year.

Other members of the group include: John Velasquez and Frank Lichtanski, Del Rey Oaks; Councilman Carl Outzen and Tom Rowley, Monterey; Councilman Bob Davis and Kris Lindstrom, Pacific Grove; Suzanne Katzakian and Mary Ann Kline, Sand City; Morris McDaniel and Ron Chesshire, Seaside; and Samuel Harris and William Woodworth, 4th supervisory district.

Also named were Lt. Troy McClelland, representing the Navy Postgraduate School and the Presidio of Monterey; Pete Tersol, Filipino Community Organization; Carlos Quintana, League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC); and Frank Steele, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

In a memo to the board, the district staff reminded members that they had voted that no board member would make presentations to the advisory group or participate in its discussions. "In addition, there shall be no individual communication with Lapkoff and Associates by either (the advisory committee) or members of the board of directors," the memo said.

It appeared the directors were taking special precautions to avoid any appearance of impropriety, perhaps reflecting the criticism that was directed at the Board of Supervisors, which wound up in a four-way lawsuit over its redistricting efforts.

To make the switch to voting by equal-sized districts by the 1993 general elections, the board must approve a resolution establishing them by next June.

The board is made up of five elected directors and two appointed ones—one representing the Board of Supervisors and the other representing the mayors of the cities within the district.

Trade Water Permit for Rain?

Directors of the water management district approved a variance Monday night to provide a permit for 1.6 acre-feet of water so the National Weather Service can locate an office in Monterey which will have 40 employees by 1994.

After the unanimous vote, director Jim Hughes suggested that as "a condition of their use permit, maybe they could generate us some more rain."

SHERIFF'S LOG

RIO ROAD. A Safeway loss prevention officer reported detaining a Seaside man for shoplifting at the Crossroads store. He was cited and released. 9/14.

RIO ROAD. A Safeway loss prevention officer reported he had detained a Carmel man for shoplifting. He was cited and released. 9/14.

SOUTH COAST. A Sunnyvale man reported his girlfriend and his roommate were trapped on a cliff above the Limekiln Creek Falls. They were helped to safety by the Sheriff's Rescue Team. 9/14.

Neighbor Bothers Workers

HIGHLANDS. A woman building a new home at San Remo and Mentone reported she was having a problem with a neighbor who kept annoying workers. 9/15.

CARMEL RANCHO. The owner of the Thunderbird Bookshop reported having in custody a shoplifter who took an $11 cassette tape. 9/15.

CARMEL. A woman reported a friend of her son stole prescription medicine from her house on Handley Drive. 9/15.

CARMEL. School officials reported two students fought at Carmel High; one of them was cited into juvenile probation. 9/15.

SOUTH COAST. A woman, found wandering around Bixby Creek Bridge seemingly disoriented, was taken to Community Hospital. 9/15.

Hotdogs Lure Raccoons

CARMEL. A woman said two raccoons got into her house on Hatton Road and hid behind the washer and dryer. They were coaxed out with hotdog bits, deputies reported. 9/15.

CARMEL RANCHO. A teller at Great Western Bank reported receiving a bomb threat from a male telephone caller. 9/16.

VILLAGE. An employee of Hacienda Video reported a woman had not returned four movies she had rented on 8/31. 9/16.

LAURELES GRADE. A man who lives at McDonald Ranch on Los Laureles Grade reported a .44 magnum revolver was stolen from his home between 9/7 and 9/11. He said it was valued at $375. There was no sign of forced entry, deputies said. 9/16.

RIO ROAD. A woman reported hearing noises in a condominium unit next to hers on Rio Road which was supposed to be vacant. A check turned up nothing. 9/16.

VALLEY. A man, whose dog has been the object of several complaints from his Canada Lane neighbors, said the dog is not as noisy as the neighbors say. 9/17.

Boat Report Probed

SOUTH COAST. Responding to a report of a boater in trouble, the Sheriff's Rescue Team discovered a boat on a beach two miles south of Gorda where a fisherman had left it temporarily for safekeeping. 9/17.

RIO ROAD. A Carmel man was stopped and charged with DUI. 9/17.

CARMEL. A man reported an open door at his neighbor's house on Trevis; nothing was found amiss. 9/18.

VALLEY. An employee of Rancho San Carlos reported having a man in custody that he said had repeatedly trespassed on the ranch. 9/17.

HIGHLANDS. A Seaside man, working as a dishwasher at Highlands Inn, was arrested for being under the influence of heroin and having a hypodermic syringe in his possession. 9/18.

Neighbors Protest Drums

CARMEL. Three neighbors who live on Torres reported a continuing noise problem with a 15-year-old boy playing his drums. 9/18.

CARMEL. A woman who lives on Via Mar Monte complained a Dodge van had been parked at a cul de sac on her street for a week with no activity around it. 9/19.

BIG SUR. Three people were stranded at Julia Pfeiffer Burns State Park when they climbed down a cliff to a beach and couldn't get back up. After they were helped to safety, the trio was cited for intentionally going off the trail. 9/19.

VALLEY. A man who lives on Robinson Canyon reported that his neighbor's dog was barking. He said he wished to make no complaint, but would discuss the noise with the neighbor in the morning. 9/19.

BIG SUR. The manager of Fernwood asked for help in getting two parties to leave the campground. Contacted by a deputy, the left. 9/20.

Animation Art Stolen

CARMEL RANCHO. A saleswoman at Reid Galleries in the Barn Yard reported someone took a Disney animation "cell" of Sleepy off the wall some time Friday or Saturday morning. It was valued at $2,800. 9/20.

VILLAGE. A bartender at the Ridge Restaurant reported two intoxicated people were leaving. Stopped in the Village, a Santa Cruz man was arrested for DUI and his companion was taken to Community Hospital for treatment of excessive alcohol consumption. 9/20.

VILLAGE. A 12-year-old boy who lives on Ford Road said someone stole his 10-speed bicycle from in front of the Carmel Valley Post Office. 9/20.

MOVING RIGHT UP THE MIDDLE OF OCEAN AVENUE, Cal-Am Water Co. is digging up old water mains to replace them with new pipe. The project, which has closed the main thoroughfare of Carmel on weekdays, will take a month.

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Seven Years Later

Board Rejects Sierra Club Appeal

Spring or stream? Representatives for Sally and Richard Taylor called the water which runs across their 10-acre Palo Colorado parcel a spring. But a spokesman for the Sierra Club which had hoped to stop the Taylors from building a home there called it a stream.

Having heard the argument, the Board of Supervisors Tuesday denied a Sierra Club appeal to halt the project on a 4-0 vote.

The environmentalists said the home's septic system might not withstand an earthquake, which could cause it to rupture and pollute Garrapata Creek. They also argued that the stream on the property should be protected and said when the septic tank is pumped, Garrapata Creek could be contaminated.

The Taylors, both employed in the electronics field in San Jose, purchased the land seven years ago and started seeking a permit to build. "I've been working with the county seven years now," testified their architect, Robert Carver. "I have proven to the Planning Department and the Health Department that this project will have no harmful impacts."

Richard Taylor said he is a vice-president of The Conservation Agency, a nonprofit environmental group based in Jamestown, R.I. "We hired the best people to come up with a plan to minimize the damage to the land. We're very concerned about it," he said. The Taylors scaled down their 3,030 square-foot original plans to a 1,608 square-foot home and 400 square foot garage.

Keith Vandevere, a Sierra Club spokesman, said a spring on the property flows within 30 feet of the septic system. "The consultants have testified this stream is not a stream. This is not true. It's a gurgling little stream."

The septic system designed for the project would pump sewage uphill behind the house. Vandevere said he was concerned that if sewage spills occurred they might go into Garrapata Creek which is a source of potable water for some residents in the area.

Carver said during construction plans were to use pulleys and ropes to haul materials across the creek to minimize damage.

The Taylor's attorney, Thomas Jamison, said a geoconsultant reported no evidence of displacement along the fault line on the property for the last 11,000 years. He also said the amount of sewage in the line would only be 28 gallons at any one time, and county officials said the system is designed to have a seismic sensor which automatically would turn off the pumps.

State Fish & Game officials were asked to look at the spring/stream question, and they said it did not qualify as an intermittent stream and was not mapped as such, a spokesman for the Health Department testified.

Supervisors turned the project down more than two years ago, but allowed it to proceed after the Taylors provided studies on contaminates and nitrates, biological reports, biology and earthquake faults.

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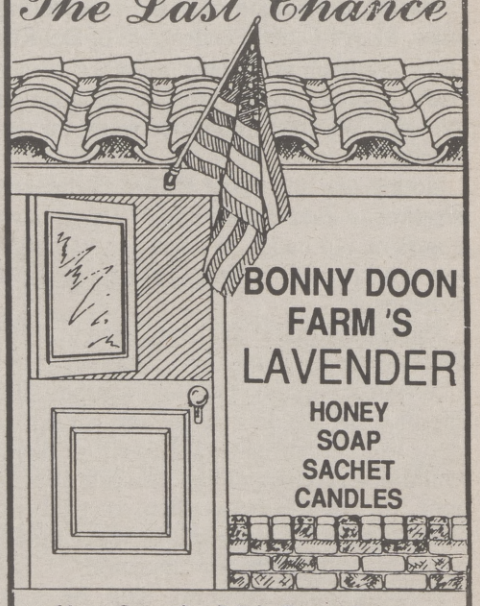

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Leaders of Opposing Factions Expound Views

Eastwood Says City's Broke

Former Mayor Clint Eastwood said Carmel Citizens for Good Government (CCGG urged the majority on the City Council to get on with solving Carmel's problems because "the city's broke."

He said he doesn't think the proposed elimination of the Recreation Department is the way to do it. "It doesn't take Werner Von Braun rocket science to figure out the budget," Eastwood said. He suggested the City Council members need to bring themselves up to speed to understand the budget. "I'm sure Monterey Peninsula College has a course in Economics 101."

He said the CCGG statement, widely seen as an ultimatum threatening recall action against the three Carmel Residents Association (CRA) members on the council, was the result of frustration, not just by the group of 12, but by people on the street "who just want to see some action...They're making all the cuts in the wrong places. They need to make deep cuts not just in services...Everybody wants to keep the empire in place."

The threat by the political action group against Mayor Ken White and Councilwomen Barbara Brooks and Barbara Livingston brought counter attacks and a letter-writing campaign in their defense. The trio was told to adopt CCGG's six-point plan to "Restore the Heart of Carmel" within the next 30 days or face "housecleaning" by the voters.

Eastwood, a founding member of both CCGG and Voice of Carmel, a group started two years ago to take the pulse of the city through polls, said senior citizens were complaining to him about the threatened loss of the Recreation Department which he called "the easiest way to go. It's like the movie business. A studio wants to cut back so they fire two secretaries and put on two executives at $200,000 a year."

Eastwood said the CCGG action, coming just five months after the April 14 election, "may be a little early but people are getting very restless. A lot of promises were made. Nobody's addressing anything. Nothing's happening with the the Planning Commission's zoning study or the traffic study. You can't get anyone good to be on the Planning Commission since they drove through their own law (on criteria for the voluntary position).

"There's no reason to run for office and not do anything but have a little power base. You're only as good as the job you do. Otherwise you will be an embarrassment to yourself and to the community."

If the views of the CRA "are what the whole community wants, more power to 'em. That's what they should have. Whatever the majority wants, that's the democratic way," Eastwood said in an interview. But, he said he thought the majority of members of the CRA "probably live out of town," and he suggested results of the Voice of Carmel polls are more accurate barometers of public sentiment.

Although CCGG did not use the actual term recall, Eastwood pointed out that in some 16 towns in California that have started recall proceedings in recent years, the move has been successful.

"We don't want to chastise Mr. Maradei (CRA President David Maradei) or any of his board...but the town's going to be broke," he said.

"They say they're not a political party but they are, and there's nothing wrong with being a PAC," Eastwood said of the CRA, calling some of the group "kind of loose guns that don't seem to be doing anything positive for the town."

He described CRA charges of "McCarthyism" as "an old left wing complaint," but said local problems "don't need to be attacked with violent rhetoric." The CRA had raised the specter of McCarthyism when Councilmen Phil Coniglio and Bob Fischer asked Planning Commission applicants if they belonged to the CRA.

Eastwood objected to the new ordinance restricting the appointment of commissioners and "not giving the council people the right to ask questions. Coniglio and Fischer have the right to ask questions."

The former mayor said both White and Brooks had made promises to Glenn and Marian Leidig that the central commercial zone would be changed to take in their new building at San Carlos and Seventh Avenue "but games are being played."

He likened the delays and continual study of zoning proposals to his term when a plan was proposed by Virginia Stanton to remodel Sunset Center. "We got a lot of good information but nothing happened. Now Ken's talking about raising the hostelry tax to pay for remodeling Sunset Center." The mayor had floated the idea of such an increase but backed off in the face of strong opposition from the business community.

In the meantime, Eastwood said Monterey and Salinas had gone forward with proposals for theaters and community centers, and "I don't think Carmel could compete today." He said the $1 million discussed for Sunset Center remodeling was "pie in the sky. Your own (zoning) codes will come out and eat you alive. They're looking for a prince on a white horse."

Eastwood said White "made good sounds about unity during the campaign, just like I did in 1986 . He ran a good campaign. The thing is now for implementation. Every decision you make is going to make somebody mad, but you have to believe in something."

Search for City Administrator Starts in October

The Carmel City Council will begin a $20,000 search for a new city administrator in October to fill the position vacated by Doug Schmitz last March.

Greg D'Ambrosio, the assistant city Administrator, who stepped into the job on an acting basis to smooth the transition to a new city council, has told Mayor Ken White he does not want the position.

Schmitz, who left to take a similar job in Lake Oswego, Ore., and D'Ambrosio both earned $75,000 as administrator but the salary is negotiable.

D'Ambrosio made a strong plea for the position to be filled in the text of the current biennial budget document which includes five months salary for a new administrator.

Speaking of himself and two assistants in the Administrative Services Department which he heads as assistant administrator, D'Ambrosio wrote. "The current staff cannot continue to maintain the present workload placed upon them without a sacrifice to their health and quality of life."

In the text accompanying the section of the Department of Administrtion, which he heads as acting administrator, D'Ambrosio said the staff, City Council and personnel office all had suffered from the inability to attend educational meetings and seminars and from lack of information about city matters at the county and state level due to the budget crunch.

Mayor Decries Confrontation

Mayor Ken White said he found much he could agree with in an opposition group's plan for the city, but rejected its tone as a threatening personal attack which deliberately sought a confrontation.

Referring to an ultimatum from Carmel Citizens for Good Government directed at three members of the City Council who are members of the Carmel Residents Association, White decried "criticism, finger-pointing, name-calling and half truths."

In a two-page, single-spaced statement, he also responded to calls that the three resign their CRA memberships. White noted that editorials in the *Carmel Pine Cone* had joined in those calls.

"To remove this issue from further debate, I believe we should accept the judgment of the city attorney that a person's membership in this or that community group is not an appropriate criterion for determining a person's suitability or qualification for a city appointment."

The CRA has held a three-member majority on the last two city councils, prompting bitter fights over who should serve on city commissions, especially the powerful Planning Commission. The Planning Commission is also the center of a hotly debated proposal to change the commercial zoning boundaries in the downtown section.

Citing his busy schedule of meetings with a wide variety of groups since becoming mayor five months ago, White said he was convinced "that all of us seek the same goal. Whatever our passing disagreements, whatever small victories may be gained at the price of civility, we all seek to preserve Carmel-by-the-Sea from the kind of decline and transformation that have affected many other California communities."

Declaring his goal was to "avoid misunderstandings and to promote mutual trust and respect," White expressed disappointment that CCGG provided a copy of its six-point plan to the media before it did to him.

"Now that I have considered the Carmel Citizens for Good Government letter, I wish to respond by saying that I find much to agree with—but equally, I wish to emphasize that the tone of the letter and its inherent element of personal attack reflect a regrettable effort to seek confrontation."

White did not detail in his statement what he specifically endorsed in the CCGG plan. It called for balanced budgets, smaller government, repeal of restrictive criteria for Planning Commissioners, action on long-pending city committees and a return of commercial downtown zoning to its 1984 boundaries.

CCGG said that if White and Councilwomen Barbara Brooks and Barbara Livingston did not support its plan within 30 days they would be risking "a housecleaning" at the hands of voters.

White, who was elected mayor in June after four years on the City Council, took specific exception to a *Pine Cone* editorial charge that during his time as mayor he "has stood at the side of the road" and failed to provide the city with leadership.

"I have tried and will continue to try to obtain as many points of view as possible in order that I may make balanced and fair decisions," said White, listing some 20 or so actions that he has taken.

"....Confrontation, with resulting emotions, creates distractions rather than a climate of mutual trust and cooperation," White said.

The mayor's statement seemed to imply that he was responding to CCGG and the *Pine Cone* editorials only reluctantly.

"We have all heard the rule that attacks and criticisms must be answered, even countered, otherwise those attacks will be assumed to have merit," White said.

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Council Faces Tough Budget Choices

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The council considered his proposal to make up the $578,071 difference between revenues and spending this year through a combination of cuts and new or raised fees of $20,000, using the PERS reimbursement to make the Feb. 1 Rio Park debt payment, transferring $225,000 to the Workers' Compensation Fund and $129,000 to the Health Insurance Fund.

D'Ambrosio put the burden of balancing the second half of the city's biennial budget squarely up to the council, staff and a proposed community budget committee yet to be approved or named. He recommended action on it no later than March. The 1993-94 budget is short by $680,614 after accounting for $85,000 in savings from the Recreation Department, $153,300 in anticipated severance and $287,999 in general staff cuts.

The five major revenue sources were projected as follows:

	1992-93	1993-94
Hostelry:	$2,677,185	$2,730,729
Sales	$1,560,050	$1,600,000
Property taxes	$1,343,798	$1,499,844
Traffic safety	$415,000	$450,000
Business licenses	$303,450	$294,350

The Police Department, the most expensive in the city, had a proposed budget of $1,594,898 in 92-93 and $1,594,450 in 93-94 compared with $1,665,574 spending in 91-92. Both the police and fire departments warned that cutbacks in training hurt. Fire Chief Bill Hill said, "As with most of the city, much of our equipment is old and will soon need replacement. If this is not addressed in the near future, maintenance costs will soar and safety standards will not be met."

The Fire Department is budgeted for $824,679 in 92-93 and $848,981 in 93-94 compared with $800,015 in 91-92 spending. Public Works proposed $568,616 in 92-93 and $617,423 in 93-94 compared with $588,018 in 91-92 spending.

"The pressures being placed upon our financial stability are impacting our traditional commitment to the care and preservation of our public assets: buildings, roads, parklands and equipment," D'Ambrosio said in a foreword. "This budget does not address these problems.

"The severe funding reductions implemented this year were done specifically to balance the budget and are not recommended to be continued next fiscal year without considering long-term impacts on program services that affect the general welfare of the community," he warned.

"...The city cannot continue to function at the proposed fiscal year 1992/93 level without severely impacting existing departmental operations, programs and services. The city's equipment, rolling stock (autos, trucks and other mobile equipment) and infrastructure must be given priority."

D'Ambrosio quoted the employee Cost-Containment/Revenue Enhancement Budget Committee: "We strongly recommend that a commitment be made to establish maintenance of city buildings and maintenance and replacement of unsafe city equipment as a first priority goal in the future—necessary maintenance which is deferred too long will ultimately leave the city's assets in ruin."

The problem, according to Alan Williams, a major developer and spokesman for Carmel Citizens for Good Government (CCGG), "Is that you have demanded more services and hired more people than we could afford. We have demanded more services than we have money to pay for. As an employer, when I look at cutbacks, I look at what I have to do to survive. That is preciesely what the city needs to do...You have to weigh the cost to the benefit of the majority."

"The budget gets scary as hell when you look at it," Williams said, pointing to the library department where, he said, "if you take 60,000 books loaned by the cost we pay for the department, we pay $12 per book loaned."

Howard Nieman, who has done a budget analysis for CCGG, warned that the "disturbing trend" of the city spending more than it receives over the past five years seemed unlikely to change in the future.

"Total expenditures are up 10 percent and revenues are up 3 percent," he said. "We have spent about $2.2 million in excess of our operating revenues. That's a healthy sum."

The $839,975 in total cuts from 1991-92 were as follows: $127,424 in materials and supplies; $342,810 in salaries and benefits; $62,403 in capital spending, $137,000 in capital improvements; $47,083 in facility improvements, $82,109 in grants, $19,545 in debt service and $21,601 in miscellaneous department cuts.

For the first time, the budget includes the individual reports of each department head with all of them outlining the consequences of cutbacks. Public Works Director Jim Cullem warned of the: "acceleration of an already badly deteriorating street system in which every $1 in repair not spent results in an average of $5 in pavement replacement costs within 3-5 years."

Included in the Administration Department budget is five months salary at a rate of $75,000 a year for a new city administrator to succeed Doug Schmitz who resigned last March. The total budget for administration salaries and benefits is $296,686 for 92-93 and $350,212 for 93-94 compared with $357,204 in 91-92. Materials and services are cut from $42,168 to $33,359 in 92-93 but are back up to $42,696 the following year. The department has six positions including the administrator, city clerk, personnel officer, administrative secretary and assistant and clerk/stenographer.

D'Ambrosio has been handling two jobs as acting administrator and assistant administrator. He warned continuation of the staff reductions in the Administrative Services Department, comprised of the permanent assistant city administrator, Financial Services Coordinator Sandi Davenport and an assistant, "cannot continue to maintain the present workload placed upon them without a sacrifice to their health and quality of life."

He stressed the necessity of the council filling the administrator's position for the benefit of all municipal departments to keep up with the burden of financial record-keeping among other things. The budget includes $20,000 to pay a search firm to find a new administrator, a job D'Ambrosio doesn't want. The budget includes $219,880 for this department in 92-93 and $207,405 in 93-94 reflecting a return to normal staffing.

Planning Director Diane White warned that such reductions as elimination of overtime could result in having to reschedule commission and other city meetings to daytime hours that "could significantly hinder public participation. Only those members of the community who are retired or have leisure time would be able to participate in city affairs."

She said various programs could be impacted such as: code enforcement, participation with various county and state agencies, agenda subscription service, General Plan updates, and staff support to city committees and citizen groups.

The Planning Department budget totals $480,923 in 92-93 and $501,079 in

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City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
Five (5) Major Revenue Sources

Year	Hostelry	%	Sales	%	Business Licenses	%	Property Tax	%	Traffic Safety	%
80-81	$1,075,420		$978,098		$190,303		$344,322		$275,837	
81-82	!,209,387	12	1,051,531	8	217,600	14	285,995	12	233,188	(15)
82-83	1,330,332	10	1,073,915	2	230,240	6	455,349	18	253,672	9
83-84	1,497,249	13	1,085,415	1	236,926	3	500,550	10	262,392	3
84-85	1,988,718	33	1,275,694	18	272,429	15	598,419	20	306,011	17
85-86	2,206,087	11	1,407,641	10	285,694	5	666,037	11	274,816	(10)
86-87	2,378,408	8	1,556,017	11	294,158	3	712,055	7	383,382	40
87-88	2,503,311	5	1,704,092	4	267,568	25	896,219	26	385,103	0
88-89	2,535,533	1	1,779,149	11	267,051	0	1,055,461	18	419,747	9
89-90	2,526,075	0	1,725,303	(3)	368,454	0	1,066,826	1	454,034	8
90-91	2,552,575	1	1,786,077	4	358,292	(3)	1,183,795	11	416,888	(8)
91-92	2,624,441	3	1,600,056	(10)	337,168	(6)	1,305,428	10	433,531	4
92-93	2,677,185	2	1,560,050	(3)	303,450	(10)	1,343,798	3	415,000	(4)
93-94	2,730,729	2	1,600,000	3	294,350	(3)	1,499,844	10	415,000	0

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City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
1992/93 Budget Summary

	Department	Salaries/ Benefits	Materials/ Services	Total
110	City Council	$23,660	$1,500	$25,160
111	Legal	45,073	82,500	127,573
112	Engineering	0	2,600	2,600
113	Treasurer	1,938	0	1,938
115	Administration	296,686	33,359	330,045
116	Administrative Services	219,880	19,542	239,422
117	Recreation	75,418	11,015	86,433
118	Community and Cultural	222,837	54,485	277,322
120	Community Planning &Building	464,124	16,799	480,923
126	Police	1,522,136	72,762	1,594,898
127	Fire	791,918	32,761	824,679
132	Public Works - Street/Shop	460,155	108,461	568,616
133	Public Works - Bldg/Maint.	165,013	46,522	211,535
135	Forest and Beach	414,522	47,606	462,128
136	Harrison Memorial Library	647,795	31,436	679,231
137	Grants	0	0	0
138	Capital Improvements	0	0	0
139	Non-Departmental	0	741,005	741,055
140	Debt Service	0	708,796	708,796
142	Facility Improvement - Municipal	0	44,000	44,000
143	Capital Outlay	0	87,500	87,500
144	Benefit Liability	0	25,000	25,000
145	Unemployment	0	2,500	2,500
200	Encumbrance	0	0	0
	Totals	$5,351,155	$2,170,149	$7,521,304

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Council Acts on Budget

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93-94 compared to $471,043 in 91-92.

The Recreation Department was budgeted at $86,433 this year and $91,818 next year, up from $69,039 in 91-92. D'Ambrosio said he would have to go back to the drawing board to find the money to keep it going with one supervisor. The mayor's motion included the provision that recreation programs must pay for themselves but D'Ambrosio said funds still would be required to maintain the department. It provides a wide range of services from summer camp for children to sports activities and bingo games for adults. Recently, the department also took over the popular Slot Trek Tours.

"I don't favor cutting staff to save the Recreation Department," Brooks said. "I wouldn't want to impair the police and fire departments for example."

"I'm sure some part time positions can be held off for one year," Fischer said.

The budget for the Community and Cultural Department which operates Sunset Center and Forest theater, contains $277,322 this year and $294,290 next year, up from the 91-92 total of $259,061.

Director Brian Donohue predicted that continued neglect of maintenance materials and custodial supplies will become more costly by impacting client rentals with a direct loss of revenue.

Linda Anderson, chairwoman of the Community and Cultural Committee and a member of the task force to remodel Sunset Center, made a strong plea for $30,000 in seed money in the 1993-94 budget to induce people to make contributions towards the multi-million dollar project. She warned that such long-time Sunset Center anchors as the Bach Festival were being wooed by groups planning new art centers at Fort Ord and Ryan Ranch.

"If an anchor group sees that nothing is happening in Carmel, it would be hard for them to turn down a new venue," she said.

Hilton Bialek, chairman of the task force, said, "In order to raise money, we have to have a concept. We can't just say we're going to renovate Sunset Center...Imagine Carmel today without Sunset Center."

The Forest and Beach Department was budgeted at $462,128 in 92-93 and $541,312 in 93-94 compared to $407,008 in 91-92.

The Library, where Director Margaret Pelikan warned of reduced services, was budgeted at $679,231 in 92-93 and $689,109 compared with $668,117 in 91-92 spending. Complaining about the cost of seasonal help throughout the city, Fischer zeroed in on the $109,00 budgeted just for seasonal help at the library.

D'Ambrosio and Personnel Director Jerry Pullen both emphasized that seasonal workers are essential tohelp permanent staff do their jobs. They said they provide clerical support for a variety of state and federal programs and cost the city substantially less because they do notreceive benefits.

Although total grants by the city only amounted to $80,659 in 91-92, zero dollars were budgeted for 92-93 and just $35,000 in 93-94. Likewise, no money was budgeted for capital improvements in 92-93 and $500,000 in 93-94 compared with $337,493 in spending in 91-92.

"You are short-changing the young people of this community," Pat Sippel, a member of the Recreation Commission, told the council. "We've done it for a lot of years. We have a history of short-changing the young people."

Chairwoman Laurie Schumann said she would personally volunteer to pick up litter from the streets if it would help save the Recreation Department.

Livingston said she had stopped by to see the department's after school program at Vista Lobos and found it was just latch-key children and "they weren't learning anything." She also questioned how many of the children actually lived in Carmel-by-the-Sea.

But Toni Jepson, director of the Carmel Business Association (CRA) who lives outside the city, said it would be better to have potholes in the streets than let senior citizens and children think the city doesn't care about them.

Jane Mayer, a director of the Carmel Residents Association, said, "I have to be very careful what I say so people don't think I hate children but what portion of the recreation program is served by volunteers?" She also referred to "talk about extending the school year," and said, "It's too bad but budgets are budgets and cuts have to be made."

After accounting for the reduction in the proposed 1992-93 budget, Nieman said expenditures over the last six years still would be up 33 percent. "It is the first time since 1987 that a budget has been balanced, and it is the lowest in the last six years, but it probably represents the level of spending the city can afford in the future.

"How will we ever fund the street mainenance and Sunset Center unless we have substantial cuts in salaries?" he asked. Unless we have a $500,000 to $1 million increase in revenues, there will be no money for the infrastructure."

According to Nieman's projections, the city will be $4 million to $5 million in debt by the end of the decade if it continues the way it is going.

"Expenses must be less than revenues," he said. "It's a simple principal."

Merged Fire-Police Savings Questioned

Carmel fire and police officials, acknowledging some savings is possible from combining their departments, suggested they probably wouldn't be as large as some people thought.

Both Fire Chief Bill Hill and Capt. Don Fuselier of the police department said they had not made a detailed analysis of a proposal to combine their operations into a single "public safety department."

"We want to see what the bottom line on the budget is first," said Fuselier.

Concerned about the city's spending, Carmel Citizens for Good Government suggested recently that the departments might be combined to reduce costs.

Both Hill and Fuselier suggested the most obvious savings would come from a combined administration, but questioned how much could be saved short-term if both firemen and police had to be trained in both disciplines.

Fuselier said cadets must attend a police academy for more than 800 hours to become a sworn officer, and Hill said the merged operations he was aware of provided "a pretty good police department, but substandard fire department."

Noting that roughly 90 percent of his budget is for salaries, Hill said some administrative costs could be reduced by a merger, but total costs "certainly wouldn't be cut in half."

Carmel Recreation Department Activities

Here are some of the activities and programs provided by the Carmel Recreation Department:

Community Activities

Music in the Park, Sand Castle Contest, Halloween Parade, Tree Lighting Ceremony, Kite Festival, Easter Egg Hunt, City of Carmel Birthday Party Ceremony, Bicycle and Tricycle Rodeo, First Murphy House Management, Community Flu Shots.

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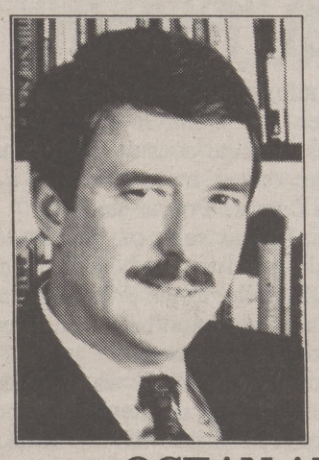

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Pete Poitras Assesses 10 Years On Carmel Police, FBI Training

By Carolyn Rice

"We may not have the kind of crime that will make the *National Inquirer*," said Sgt. Pete Poitras of the Carmel Police Department. "But crime is always happening. And people want it solved when someone steals their VCR."

Warren "Pete" Poitras has reached the 10 year mark on the job as Carmel's first police detective, and he recently returned from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Academy. The brown-haired Carmel Valley resident with a ready smile took time to reflect on those two milestones.

"We are very, very fortunate not to have a lot of violent crime," he said. Mingling with the 246 students who attended the Academy, Poitras said it really came home to him when he heard police officers talking about the continuous violence they encounter in some of the major cities where they worked.

Poitras said he read the *Washington Post* while at the Academy. "I was appalled by the violence that goes on there daily," he said. "From a crime standpoint, this is paradise."

The academy from which Poitras graduated June 12 was attended by police from other countries including Japan, England, Thailand, India, Ireland, Belgium, France, Italy, Canada, Australia, Oman and the Philippines.

Poitras said it was fascinating to talk to them. "The police seem to have more power in some countries such as Thailand and India," he said. He said many foreign officers had complaints similar to U. S. police—judges not tough enough and courts too lenient on criminals and police not having a positive public image. "The idea exchange is really amazing. I gained a whole new perspective."

The officers who came from foreign countries were very high ranking, he said, *explaining that foreign countries* were limited to how many officers they can send to the Academy. The man from England competed with other officers from all over Great Britain, he said.

The Academy was started in 1935. Today, it graduates 1,000 people a year who attend one of four annual sessions at its Quantico, Va., training headquarters.

Poitras said he was extremely honored to attend the 169th Academy, because only one-half of one percent of the 500,000 police officers in the country ever get to attend.

"In some locations, graduation from the Academy is a requirement for becoming chief of police," he noted. Poitras earned 19 college units by completing the three month session.

One of his most interesting courses was applied psychology which was taught by a staff member the Behavioral Science Institute. This institute consulted with the makers of the recent murder film, *The Silence of the Lambs,* Poitras said.

The course, Poitras said, taught him to look at a psychopath from a whole different perspective. The killer in the *Silence of the Lambs* was a compilation based on three actual serial killers, Poitras said.

A number of guest speakers was brought into the class including the detective who investigated Jeffrey Dahmer who murdered a number of young men in Wisconsin and ate their organs.

Poitras said should he ever be called upon to investigate a case involving a sociopath or psychopath, he would now be in a better position to do so.

Poitras said a report of every crime committed in Carmel comes across his desk. One of the most heinous crimes he worked on occurred in 1983 shortly after he took the detective job, he said. Three men robbed the Pine Inn, beat up four people including the night watchmen, two employees and a hapless young man who just wandered in to buy cigarettes.

The watchman had seen the men cruising around Carmel an old Cadillac painted with primer which he later identified in Seaside after a police officer spotted it there. One man was arrested then and booked based on fingerprints taken off the duct tape used to bind the victims. The second robber was booked after a roll of duct tape with blood on it was found at his home following a search.

At his suggestion, "the crime lab was able to match the end of it to tape taken off the victims," Poitras said. And finally, shortly before the trial, another Seaside officer stumbled across a mail sack in an open field which contained checks stolen during the robbery. Prints on them matched with the third suspect's fingerprints, Poitras said.

"The whole law enforcement community worked together to get it solved," he said. The men all were sentenced to prison terms, Poitras recalled.

"I felt truly under the gun because it was my first major investigation after my promotion to detective," he said. Poitras was hired by the Carmel Police Department in 1980 and promoted to detective sergeant in 1982, becoming the department's first and only detective.

Carmel has had five armed robberies during the past year and four of them have been solved, Poitras said. The most recent involving a young oriental man who robbed Wells Fargo on San Carlos Street Sept. 12 is still under investigation.

WARREN "PETE" POITRAS, 45, a Carmel Police Department detective for the past 10 years, stands beside the plaque he received from the FBI Academy upon his graduation from the school last June. *Sun photo by Carolyn Rice*

Proposed Observatory Atop Chews Ridge Gets Cool Reception

Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman warned the Navy it would likely have trouble getting approval to build a proposed observatory atop Chews Ridge in Upper Carmel Valley.

During a hearing on the proposal Tuesday night, she cited existing water and traffic problems in the Valley, saying they would make it difficult to win approval for construction of an optical interferometer, an astronomy station which uses computer imaging.

The Navy said it wanted to build the device on Chews Ridge close to an observatory operated by the Monterey Institute for Astronomical Research (MIRA), having found the site the best for astronomical observation among several that were investigated.

Tom Little Bear Nason, a descendant of the Esselen Tribe, also objected to the proposal, saying the mountain top is an Indian shrine. He said he already was saddened by the MIRA station and asked if the U. S. Forest Service was going to allow an observatory on every mountaintop in the Ventana Wilderness.

Bruce Weaver, director of MIRA, supported the plan which called for construction of a single-story control building, single-story housing for the observatory staff and four instrument huts.

Astronomers would not be assigned to the Navy facility full time, but would visit it for three to seven day stints.

Pescadero Swap

Continued from front page

gone to press. Planning Director Diane White recommended approval of the trade as being in conformity with the General Plan.

"I don't know yet how it would work," D'Ambrosio said. "Tescher/ Levett are talking with their tax people. They have to look into the benefits to the neighbors, design issues and drainage systems to see if it's all workable. If it all comes together, Tescher/Levett has to make a presentation to the council."

He said the adjacent neighbors own rights to the center line of the easement on the 50 x 200-foot property. They would give their rights to the city as a gift in return for tax benefits.

Tescher/Levett's land is adjacent to Second Avenue between Monte Verde and North Camino Real.

White described the Ninth Avenue site to be traded as 50 x 100 feet with a number of upper canopy trees including oaks and pines and a major storm drainage pipe crossing the property to convey storm water from Mission to Junipero Street. She said the site has a substantial slope from the street and an informal pedestrian walkway crosses it.

"In abandoning the site for street purposes the city would maintain the pedestrian access and the rights for storm drainage conveyance," she said.

Half of the Ninth Avenue site would be traded to Tescher/Levett for construction of a house and half would remain as open space.

There has been no movement to effect similar trades for two other Pescadero Canyon lots.

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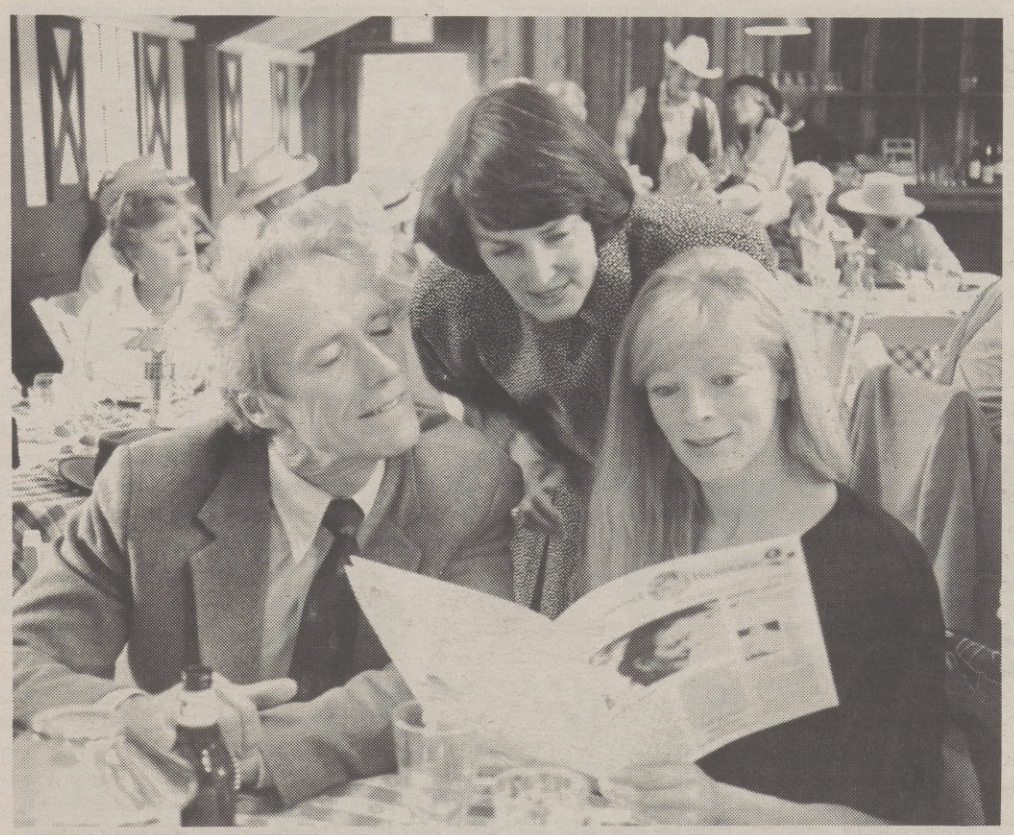

SHARING THE CARMEL HERITAGE newsletter are Clint Eastwood, Lucinda Lloyd, daughter of the late Marjory Lloyd, and Frances Fisher, one of the stars of Eastwood's latest movie, "Unforgiven." Eastwood and Marjory Lloyd were honored by Carmel Heritage at a barbecue at Mission Ranch Sunday.

Sun photo by Isabelle Hall

Carmel Heritage Honors Eastwood And Lloyd at Crowded Barbecue

Carmel Heritage honored Clint Eastwood for his preservation of Mission Ranch and the late Marjory Lloyd, one of its founding members, at a crowded barbecue Sunday on the site of the popular resort that dates to the 1860's.

Eastwood was commended for his multi-million dollar restoration of the property on the south edge of Carmel-by-the-Sea which he bought in 1986 for some $5 million. President-emeritus Virginia Stanton presented the former mayor with a plaque, recalling how Eastwood met with the Heritage board of directors and asked for their support for the project.

Helen Wilson said the Heritage board had been sitting in her living room trying to figure out how to save the property from being developed into condominiums when Eastwood said he was going to buy it and wanted their help. It took him more than a year to get local and County approval for the restoration which is still in progress.

The tall, slender actor said he first visited Mission Ranch in 1951, when, "I was a lonely GI at Fort Ord." The whole idea of the restoration, he said, was to keep the spirit of the resort "so that even our new additions would look like they've always been here. The neighbors have been terrific. I don't think we would have gotten it done without the support of Carmel Heritage, the County Historical Advisory Committee and the neighbors."

The entire family of Lloyd, a former editor of the *Pine Cone*, was on hand to accept a plaque in her honor from former Mayor Jean Grace, a close personal friend. Her daughter, Jeniffer Lloyd Santee, said, "Carmel Heritage was dear to her heart. She always wanted to be considered an oldtimer but after 60 years she never felt she quite made it. Maybe now she would think so."

Eastwood said he was pleased he had been able to take Lloyd for a helicopter ride to Big Sur a few years ago, a trip she told everyone was a highlight of her later years. Lloyd died June 30 at the age of 83.

Stanton praised Eastwood as "a man who had the boldness and the courage to bring this vision into reality."

"It's a great thrill for me to be involved with this community," he replied.

Among the 300 people attending the event were many whose names historically were synonymous with Mission Ranch such as Jean Leidig Draper, daughter of Isabel Martin Leidig of the original Martin family that settled the land, and her cousin Glenn Leidig.

Maggie Dienelt, who ran the ranch for 40 years, and her son, Skip Heebner, were there along with Eastwood's mother, Mrs. Ruth Wood and her husband, Jack, and actress Frances Fisher, who starred in Eastwood's latest film, "Unforgiven," and helped decorate Mission Ranch.

Joking about tales that there was silver and gold under the former dairy farm, Eastwood said, "I don't believe that there's gold out here, and that wasn't the reason for me buying it but, if you hear a shovel out there late at night..."

Supervisors Reject Appeal Challenging Planning's Approval of Highlands Home

By Carolyn Rice

Supervisors backed up the Planning Commission's approval of a single family home in Carmel Highlands Tuesday, refusing to hear an appeal by a neighbor who failed to attend the commission's hearing and then sent a friend to speak for him before the board.

"We botched the process," said Barbara Rainer, Highlands/Bixby Advisory Committee chairwoman, after the supervisors rejected the appeal 4-0. The advisory committee had recommended denial of the Patricia Smith Ramsey project when it reviewed it initially. Rainer said people from the area should have been more vigilant in following the project through the process.

"We just thought the Planning Commission would say to reduce the size of it." The home is 3,344 square feet. Neighbors said nearby homes are much smaller.

M.J. Ramos, the neighbor who brought the appeal, was not in attendance, but Lee Foxen who spoke for him and said they both had been out of town during the two months when the project was under consideration by the Planning Commission.

Supervisor Tom Perkins noted the board did not have any verification that the men were absent for two months. "We don't have any proof. It sets a poor precedent if we accept this."

Foxen said he was speaking for Ramos who had business commitments that precluded his attendance before the supervisors. After learning of the commission's approval, he said Ramos contacted the commission staff and was told he had to file an appeal which he did.

County Counsel Douglas Holland said it would be inappropriate to consider an appeal unless an individual had a good cause for not making an appearance at the Planning Commission. "The decision has to be with the board," he said.

Supervisor Judy Pennycook asked whether Ramos had sent a letter stating he would not be able to appear Tuesday and was told by county counsel he had not. "Is that showing due diligence?" she asked.

Paul Ernest, also an advisory committee member, said no one was aware Ramos should send a letter about his absence rather than a spokesman. "The rules may apply to us, but we are not all aware of the rules," he said.

Tony Lombardo, an attorney for Ramsey, said it has taken five months to get the project approved. "Five months to get a single family home approved is a long time," he said. "If you choose to go on vacation, that shouldn't affect someone else's project."

Neighbors who congregated after the hearing said they thought the house plans were attractive, but they objected that 45 percent of it would be built on the side yard setback.

"The house that was there before was a small house," said Walter Olsky, a Highlands resident who also serves on the advisory committee. The previous house was burnt by the fire department for a drill about eight years ago, he said.

A Planning Department staff report said the proposed home will cover 14.9 percent of the lot which is consistent with a zoning requirement of no more than 15 percent coverage. "Variance for reduction in side yard setbacks was granted due to the odd configuration of the lot and that other residences in the immediate vicinity have similar circumstances," the report said.

Mayor White Will Speak At CRA Meeting Today

Carmel Mayor White will speak at the Carmel Residents Association (CRA) regular meeting this afternoon at 4:30 at the Vista Lobos meeting room at Junipero and Fourth. The public is invited to hear White who will talk about Carmel's current budget problems and his hopes for the city's future.

Brian Roseth, city associate planner, will discuss the trip reduction ordinance which Carmel is required by the state to develop to reduce traffic.

Earlier White and Roseth addressed the Northeast Neighborhood Association.

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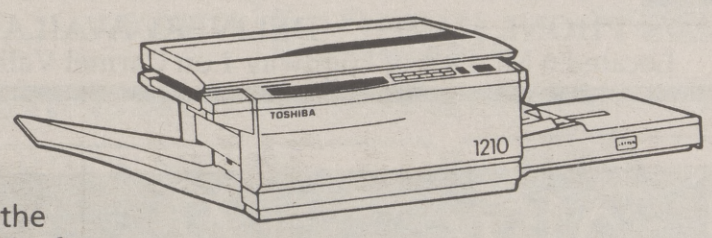

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BY MARK EATON

In Coastal California, we don't experience change of season with as sharp a definition as the Eastern and Northern states but, working for many years in the nursery trade, you are reminded of seasonal change by the arrival of certain items in the store.

The shipments of fall flower bulbs are the annual reminder for me that cooler, crisper weather is around the corner and that the deciduous trees and shrubs will be sporting fall colors before their leaves drop. Unpacking the crates that arrive from Holland, Israel, Africa, our own Northwest and California is a process I always look forward to. This being the season to select and plant fall bulbs for winter and spring bloom, let's review the basics of bulb culture.

We use the word "bulb" as a generic term that applies to a number of plants that are in a state of dormancy or semi-dormancy and consist of a structure that functions as a storage organ. Along with true bulbs other bulblike organs are called corms, tubers, rhizomes and tuberous roots.

Although these "other bulbs" differ botanically from true bulbs, all essentially accomplish the same thing—giving birth each year from unglamorous packages to varied and beautiful flowers.

Purchased from the nursery bulb display in fall are many items, and all grow extremely well on the Monterey Peninsula. We have cool enough winters so that they won't come up too quickly, and relatively warm, dry summers so that the bulbs that live from year to year can "bake" in the ground, expanding their clumps for an even better show the following spring. Flower bulbs are naturally drought tolerant, most having originated in a Mediterranean type of climate where it is normal to endure drought conditions in the summer.

We all know that our soil in this area is not the greatest, and good soil preparation is as important to flower bulbs as it is to camellias.

Unless soil is already moist, water the planting area thoroughly.When the soil can be easily worked, dig the planting area to a depth of about 10 inches. Break up any large lumps, then rake the soil surface flat.

The next step is to scatter fertilizer over the area, and I don't mean bone meal. There is a long horticultural tradition of using bone meal as an exclusive fertilizer for bulbs and unfortunately many still recommend it. Bone meal is not what it used to be. Bones do contain both nitrogen and phosphorous but today they are steam processed to remove most of the nutrients for animal feed before they are ground up for horticultural use. The slow-release organic phosphorus provides some good long-term benefits for a plant's root system, but bulbs are no different than any other plant—when in active growth they require a complete fertilizer.

The best product on the market for feeding your bulbs is a fertilizer called Bulb Booster with an analysis of 9-9-6. This product provides high quality, slow release nutrients fro maximum growth and vigorous flowering.

After scattering the fertilizer over the planting area at the rate designated on the side of the package, spread on an even layer of organic matter. Fir bark compost, redwood compost, planting mix, or well-aged (not fresh) manure are good choices. Incorporate roughly 25 percent by volume of organic matter to soil; if you dig soil to a 10-inch depth, this works out to about a 2-1/2 inch layer of organic material. Always err on the side of too much rather than not enough organic matter; always err on the side of too little rather too much when it comes to the Bulb Booster fertilizer.

Finally, thoroughly incorporate the organic matter and fertilizer into the soil by hand digging or roto-tilling, then rake the soil even. More about bulbs in next week's column.

"ICE FOLLIES," a white daffodil with a pale yellow "cup" is a long-time favorite.
Photo courtesy Holland Bulb Co.

Carmel Valley Chamber Schedules Tuesday Mixer

The Carmel Valley Chamber of Commerce will hold a mixer at the White Oak Plaza in the Carmel Valley Village from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday. Admission charge for members is $3 and for non-members $5. For reservations call the chamber office at 659-4000.

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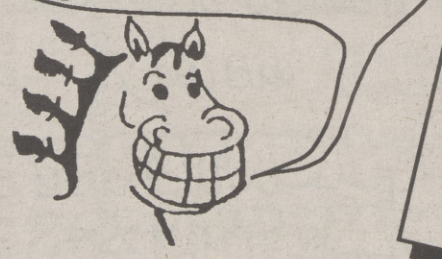

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Fee Changes Need To Be Aired—Laiolo

Former Mayor Barney Laiolo called on the City Council Tuesday to hold a full public hearing on $20,000 in proposed new and revised fees that are part of the 1992-93 fiscal year budget.

As the council directed Acting City Administrator Greg D'Ambrosio to proceed with the proposed budget for final action next Tuesday, Laiolo said, "There's been no discussion of new fees. There are some important items that should be discussed.

"If I have to pay $400 to $500 for a fire at my house....I happen to feel I pay for that in my taxes," he said.

The proposed new fees are:

- Fire Department response for fires, natural gas leaks, wires down, liquid fuel spills, alcohol related vehicle injury accidents, smoke odors, haazard material incidents and assistance calls.: $20 an hour for a fire department sedan, $35 for a utility truck, $75 for a truck company and $50 for a fire engine; $62.40 for the paid chief officer; $31.20 per hour for paid employees on duty; $46.80 for paid off duty employees and $11.70 for paid-call employees.
- False Alarm Charges by the Fire Department: $150.
- False Fire Alarm Activiation: $225.
- Police Department alarm monitoring fee: $10 per month.
- Police Department Vehicle Impound Fee: $15.
- Police Department Animal Impound fee: $8
- Duplication Fee for police radio dispatch tape: $28.50
- Forest and Beach Department fee to prune a tree on public property at the request of a resident: $105 per hour.
- Forest and Beach Department fee for monitoring at a construction site: $15 per visit.

The proposed fee increases are:

- Norton Parking Garage Rental Fee: from $50 to $65 per month.
- Police Department fingerprinting: from $4 to $6 per card.
- Police Department photocopy fee: from $5 to $8 per page.
- Police Department Taxi Driver permit Fee: from $3 to $15 and From $2 to $10 for renewal.
- Fire Watch Fee: $45 per paid employee and $10 for intermittent firefighters. $25 for Sunset Center.
- Fire Inspection Fee: from $30 to $34.
- Flammable/combustible liquid tank permit fee: from $30 to $40 for first inspection, $35 per additional hour.
- Fire Plan check fee: from $30 to $34.
- Flammable/combustible liquids storage permit fee: from $10 to $15.
- Fire Department fumigation fee: from $10 to $15.
- Fire Alarm System Installation permit fee: from $30 to $50.
- Utility excavation fee: from $60 plus $1 per linear foot to $60 plus $1.20 per linear foot.

CVPOA Will Picnic Sunday; Seeks Candidates for Board

The Carmel Valley Property Owners Association will hold its annual picnic at Stonepine Resort on Sunday from noon to 3 p.m.

Fifth District Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman will speak on "The State of the Valley."

The organization is also accepting applications for board of director candidates. For more information about the picnic or the board positions call 659-5623.

A PEDESTRIAN WALKING SIGN has been installed at Rosie's Bridge in the Carmel Valley Village. Speed limit and traffic lines have also been repainted following several bicycle accidents on the bridge which has a metal grating surface. The bridge is slated to be replaced, possibly in 1994.

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Archaeologists Examine Los Padres Dam Site

By Carolyn Rice

Archaeologists excavating a site that would be inundated by a new Los Padres Dam said it would have special significance for Native American history it if it had been used by Indians fleeing from missionaries some 200 years ago.

"It may be the Indians were coming up here to avoid the missionaries," said Gary Breschini of Archaeological Consulting of Salinas. If so, he said the area, surrounded by rugged hills, would be a unique site for study.

Breschini's company has been hired to conduct an archaeological investigation of the area inhabited by Esselen which would be inundated by a new Los Padres dam on the Carmel River as proposed by the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District.

SIFTING THROUGH ROCKS AND SOIL, Anna Runnings and Susan Morley look for artifacts and other clues which will provide information about the Esselen who lived near the proposed Los Padres dam site. *Sun photo by Carolyn Rice*

Tom Nason, a spokesman for and one of fewer than 100 descendents of Esselen Indians, has said flooding by the proposed new dam would desecrate at least 14 sites, including burial grounds, middens, bedrock mortars, alters and a complete village.

In a report to the water board submitted in July, Breschini stated "the research potential of Esselen sites must be regarded as high under both state and federal criteria. Because there is so little existing information on the Esselen, the investigation of even small cultural resources could potentially provide information, important in prehistory or history...likewise, the destruction of even small resources could hamper efforts to ever answer some of our questions concerning Esselen folkways and prehistory."

Breschini said very little is known about the Esselen and much of what appears in earlier literature is of questionable accuracy.

The archaeological excavation is being done under a $49,000 follow-up contract for studies of the area. The water management district originally paid $19,000 for a preliminary survey.

Breschini, who recently excavated a Rumsen site at Rancho San Carlos said those sites were abandoned by 1778 at which time the Indians had all moved down to the mission. But old Carmel Mission records show that between 1806 and 1808, 23 individuals who previously had not been baptized were baptized.

That's a period of 30 years where those Indians were somewhere, Breschini said. "We know there were people up here," he said. If archaeologists could pinpoint that the Los Padres area was where the Indians hid out, "a whole research domain opens up for us," Breschini said. "If that's the case, it may make them unique."

The archaeologists hope to find historical artifacts such a coin, glass beads, mission period roof tile or iron from that time period which would confirm the period, Breschini said. However, if the Indians were truly in hiding, they probably would have not had much contact with the people from whom they could have obtained this type of objects, Breschini said.

If it is determined that the Indians who lived at the site were from a recent, unstudied period of time, the dam might still proceed as proposed, Breschini said.

"Just because there are sites, it is not automatically a reason to cancel the project," Breschini said. "Until we know the age of the sites, we won't be able to tell what we can learn here that we can't learn elsewhere."

Also Breschini said, it's very common that agencies weigh the overriding public concern against individual impacts and proceed with projects.

Archaeological Consulting will do testing, present information and make recommendations about the site, he said. Mitigation might include movement of materials out of the impact area or other measures.

What most people don't realize is that the work at the site is just a beginning, he said. "We have raw data now, and we have to figure out what it means." He said the process of sorting through excavated material and sending artifacts to experts for study will take two or three months.

Five units had been excavated, he said. In one, the work crew found a mono—a stone held in the hand and used for grinding, a two-inch long knife made from Monterey banded chert, and deer bone which was white from being burned or cooked.

"We haven't seen any human bone up here," Breschini said. But Nason, who descends from the Esselen, has been on site throughout the dig. Breschini said it is common practice for archaeologists to hire Native Americans to be at the site during excavations, and federal law requires it if human bone is found.

Nason said he has located some additional bedrock mortars while he has been at the site. Breschini said during the general survey they located some 20 bedrock mortars but every rock can not be examined, so more bedrock mortars often turn up.

He said they can only sample a small portion of the area. He chose the five areas the crew is excavating. "A lot of what you go on is experience, instinct and hopefully a little blind luck," he said.

Breschini's associates, Anna Runnings and Susan Morley, worked at a three by six foot unit on a flat open area on a hill above the Carmel River. Runnings said the site had been farmed during the 1800s and rocks were tossed to both sides of the meadow to create a field for cultivation. She said she picked the site as it had a hearth but they didn't know when the hearth had been used.

"I appears to be right in the highway of some animal," she said. A fresh hole had been dug within her excavation during the previous night. "I think it was a woodrat," she said. The two women also found three scorpions as they worked.

Runnings said all the bone, beads and lithics—little flakes from stone tools—which they find all will be sent to different experts for study.

The other crew members were Patrick Cave, an anthropology student from Cabrillo College; Manual Teixeira, a Chico State College anthropology graduate who has worked on other Central Coast excavations; and Trudy Haversat, of Archaeological Consulting.

Teixeira said when screening the soil, they would pick out anything they spot and bag it in a plastic bag which goes into a larger plastic bag. The material is then taken back to the lab for further study.

A few hundred yards from the excavation sites in which the crews were working stood about a 25 foot high rock called a "dike or plug," Breschini said. He called the rock uncommon for the area and said it is similar to formations found in the Pinnacles. The rocks were formed of a hard substance which withstands the weather, he said.

Nason said he remembers four or five ceremonies which took place at this site between 1969 and 1976 which included his aunt, Irene Piazzoni and other tribal elders. They conducted the bear dance, salmon dance and brush dance with as many as 16 people in attendance.

In addition to dances, the women are reported to have gone to this site to give birth, Nason said although this practice has not occurred in recent times.

Nason's name has recently been placed on the Native American Heritage Commission list of "most likely descendents" of Monterey County Native Americans. Breschini said Nason's great, great grandfather's name is listed in the Mission baptism records.

Breschini had staked a three by 20 foot area to excavate next to the tall, gray rock. He said they would only go about eight inches deep to look for artifacts which "would give credence to the stories that Indians used the area near the rock for ceremonies. If we don't find anything, it doesn't prove there were no ceremonies here," he said. But it they do find something, it would help substantiate to the oral history of ceremonies, he said.

"The site is currently used about four times a year by Nason and other tribal members," said the Archaeological Consulting report which was given to the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District last July. "Based on the information provided to us, there is no question that the project area has traditionally been, and continues to be, extremely important to local Native Americans in a number of respects," the report said.

About a quarter of a mile away a partial ring of stacked rocks may be the burial site of a pioneer family, Runnings said. "The stone circle is not likely to be an Indian activity," she said. Local lore has it that a ranching family is buried there, she said.

FROM THE FILES...

For several weeks, the Carmel Valley History Society has provided pictures from the past to run in this space to see if readers can identify them. Here are recent identifications:

Aug. 13: From a 1957 Chamber of Commerce brochure, three young women were shown—Bonnie Dickens, Maggie Warner-Hallisey and Mary Edmondson-Wallace.

Aug. 20: Probably taken in 1962, this photo showed Johnny (Juan) Onesimo, Fred Farr behind him and Pam Gamble, who was Miss Monterey County and Miss California.

Aug. 27: A pallet of artists was shown including Morlinde Von Ruhs, Al Parker, Gene Baker and Frank O'Neal.

Sept. 3: Allen Drew thinks the woman is his mother, Ginnie, shown with his sister, Leslie, and either Allen himself or his brother, Greg.

Sept. 10: No one identified this photo.Can you help?

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Esselen Hold Acorn Festival

By Carolyn Rice

Tom Little Bear Nason, an Esselen Indian descendent, and a group of people who have formed an extended tribe gathered Saturday to dance, sing and hunt for acorns during an equinox acorn festival.

The ceremony took place high in the Carmel Valley Hills above Jamesburg where Nason has built a sweat lodge and ceremonial lodge on his family's property. Nason wore a fur wrap at his waist and a feather headpiece.

Some of the tribe used the occasion to denounce plans for construction of a new Los Padres Dam which would inundate a number of historical Esselen sites along the Carmel River.

"People don't like it that we are protesting the dam," Nason later told *The Sun*. "I'm already getting harassed so bad with phone calls and negative comments. We're just trying to protect our sites. We know the Monterey Peninsula needs water but think they can look at alternatives."

"Grandma" Bernice Torrez, a full-blooded Pomo-Kachaya who lives in Salinas, served as tribal elder for the group, teaching a song sung by her mother.

"Today I'm going to dedicate the authority to Little Bear," she said. She was commanded by "the Spirit to do so," she said.

Nason said Grandma Bernice has instructed him for the past five years, and the ceremony was similar to a graduation which gave him the authority to perform the crop dance, salmon dance and other secret Indian rites.

The ceremony was performed in private with just a few of Nason's close friends who make up his "medicine council" in attendance. The singing was accompanied by booms from a large drum, clacking from hollow wood instruments which were hit together, and rattling from a shaker instrument made out of dried gourds.

Torrez, whose Indian name is Gidomen which means Flower Lady, said Nason had asked her some time ago if she would teach him how to do Indian ceremonies, songs and dances. She grew up near Fort Ross, in Northern California, where she said the Pomo Indian culture was left more intact.

"The reason we retained our culture is the Russians discovered us, not the Spaniards, and they didn't try to make us into Christians," she said.

Torrez said her tribe was not too different from the coastal Indians in Central California and she wants to leave her traditional songs and dances with this group. Torrez' mother was the last documented female shaman in California, according to John Brennan who participated in Saturday's festival.

Besides the group of people led by Nason, some people from San Francisco, Gualala and Germany who were guests or workers at the Zen Buddhist retreat at Tassajara also attended the festival.

Brennan, 54, associated with the tribe since 1990, said he has been adopted into the tribe. It usually congregates at each new moon and full moon and at the equinox for dance and ceremony, he said. Brennan, who was raised a Roman Catholic, said he would now call Indian beliefs his religion.

"I believe earth and nature itself is a church," he said "That's why we're so extraordinarily upset with the dam. It's not a church that can be moved. Once it's (the land) gone, it's evaporated."

Brennan said he formerly taught global ecology at the Naval Postgraduate School and described himself as being a "narrow-minded military person" prior to teaching the course. A civil engineer who now works at Natividad Hospital, Brennan said the global ecology course gave him a whole new perspective on the environment.

He has testified about the dam at the state hearings in Sacramento and plans to go back again in October. "It's important to me from a spiritual perspective and as the tribal engineer," which is his job within the group, he said.

"There is a need for more water in this area," he said. "It's the responsibility of the tribe to suggest alternatives. Everything is basically a system. Everything is basically connected," he said. He said he is leery of destroying a part of the system. "A combination of solutions is probably a better approach," he said, adding he was interested in looking at a desalination plant.

When asked about the expense of a desal plant compared to a new dam, he asked, "What's the value of the wilderness we are flooding?"

Brennan said he appreciates the type of spirituality the tribe offers him. He told of a four-day "vision quest" he went on in Pine Valley with 11 others.

They did not eat for the whole time and drank very little water, he said. "It was the most powerful psychological experience I'd had," he said. "It was a real sharing, caring, and bonding that I couldn't conceive of happening in a more formal religious structure."

LITTLE BEAR AND COYOTE BOY stand in front of the ceremonial lodge constructed on the Nason property above Jamesburg. Tom Nason and his son Bryce danced with others from their tribe during an acorn festival on Saturday.

A CEREMONIAL LODGE 40 feet in diameter high in the Carmel Valley hills has been constructed for Esselen ceremonies. *Sun photos by Carolyn Rice*

Rudy Proctor, who runs four branches of the Monterey Federal Credit Union and is of mixed heritage including black and Cherokee, said he came to the Nasons initially because he heard they had sweat lodges. He was a two pack a day cigarette smoker but was required to give up smoking for at least three days prior to taking part in the ceremony.

After spending four hours in the intense heat, he said he was left with no desire to smoke. He helped build the ceremonial lodge about 18 months ago. It is 40 feet in diameter with a four-foot deep hole. The spoke like log roof is supported by twelve-foot tall timbers which are bound together by vines. A center opening on the roof is over a fire pit.

Nason said 30 people worked on weekends for about nine months to build the ceremonial lodge. Besides his group, some University of California Santa Cruz students who were enrolled in Native American studies helped, he said. The project was supported by Window to the West, a nonprofit group associated with the tribe. Nason has also had Tularcitos school children for educational visits to the ceremonial grounds.

Gary Breschini of Archaeological Consultants said he knows of a site in Monterey County where remains of a number of pit houses about 18 to 20 feet in diameter exist alongside a creek. "There is a row of close to a dozen. It is overgrown with grass and a tree," he said. He declined to divulge the exact location as he fears damage to the site if people learn where it is. "It's a valuable resource," he said. "They are much smaller than the one Tom Nason built, and we don't know their purpose."

Bob Huff, another tribal follower, said he lives at the ceremonial grounds part-time and he also spends time researching the Esselen at the Phoebe Hearst Museum in Berkeley. "What I can offer to the tribe is to put the culture back together," he said. About 330 Esselen words are now known, he said. "We'll have a dictionary coming out soon."

"Most of what we're doing is following Little Bear's visions," said Huff who described himself as homeless by choice. Huff said when Nason was 8, he began having visions, and his aunts started training him in the "medicine way." Nason's Indian culture had literally become extinct and through his visions, Nason is working to revive it, Huff said. "I'm participating in that vision in a personal way."

Huff said that tradition has it the tribe will resurrect in the 7th generation, and when it does, it will not be 100 percent Esselen but a mix of all—red, yellow, black and white.

Nason said he was chosen at age eight to be a leader. He also confirmed he has had visions but declined to share them for publication.

Nason said his Great-great grandmother on his father's side is listed in Mission baptism records as Tómasa Maria whose Indian name was Anasa. His name has been added to the Monterey County register of most likely descendents list. Archaeologists are required by federal law to have a Native American from this list on site if they find human remains and some archaeologists make it a general practice to have one on site at all times when excavating.

Setting It Straight

In its Sept. 17, on the wine grape harvest, the *Sun* incorrectly identified Jim Clark as the owner of the Bernardus Winery in Cachagua. He is the president, but the winery is owned by Ben Pon, a former race car driver.

In the same edition, the story on the death of historian Amelie Elkington incorrectly reported her age. The picture cutline was correct; she was 89.

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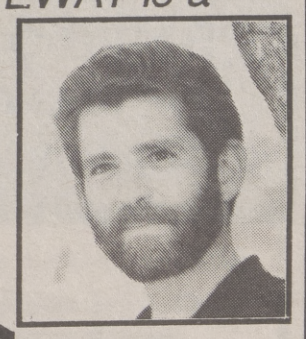
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BRUSHSTROKES

By Anita DeCarlo

A Mixed Show Opens at Pacific Grove

Here's the game plan: The Pacific Grove Art Center is a very large complex of four galleries and when you are there, you are there and you see it all. I haven't the space to equal opportunity review so I divide the column into a major thrust for that work at the up end of the scale. The better the work the more attention I give it; the poorer, the less attention. I can better serve art viewers by dwelling on what makes works work and they can apply it. I usually go in ascending order, like getting the opening acts out of the way in a play.

Yvonne Gorman is a good opening act because she has acquired enough skills with her medium (watercolor) to be a good amateur. What is lacking is a sense of goal that comes from experience in pursuing the creative act in all ways, doing ones own, seeing and understanding others. Is she intent on making paintings or pictures? To make a painting is to be concerned with the aesthetic elements, to make a picture is to be concerned with the content.

She is picture-making using design elements in a superficial way, a way that is contrived for the content: "White Wash," for example. One in which the abstract (aesthetic) elements work well and don't feel contrived is "Shapes and Blue Shadows." If she recognizes what she has done here and pursues it ,her work will have a great deal more depth.

Robynn Smith's essentially black and white paintings are easier on the eye than her color work. Though not exciting compositions, they are better compositionally than her color pieces, and the imagery matches. They have the starkness of drawings or woodcuts in the German Expressionist style, the abrupt linear and chopped movements of black and white reinforcing a barrenness, coldness, emptiness.

The color work seems barely to be distant cousin to the black and white. If these were black and white, they would be on a par compositionally, balancing acts in which the tightrope walker manages to stay on the wire by wobbling back and forth, flailing arms, but still on the wire. Composed means calm, tranquil; if you are not composed you are distracted, agitated. We compose our homes, a chair here, a plant there, move it a foot this way, that way until we are "comfortable." We could put identical chairs in each corner and it would be basically composed, no disruption of equilibrium, but not interesting.

Smith's compositions feel forced, as if, having gotten herself too far in one direction she had to throw in a diagonal in a directly opposite position to maintain equilibrium. The shifting back and forth and harsh diagonals are disconcerting, nor do they necessarily have reason in terms of imagery. Think of a painting as a puzzle in which all pieces fit; think of a Ukiyo-e print, Lautrec, think of Picasso's Guernica or Franz Kline's black and white abstracts, Arshile Gorky's non objective, Helen Frankenthaler's abstracts, Francis Bacon's painful visions, to sample across a wide variety of style.

"Compression" is one of the better color pieces. In not being as ambitious as others here, it has succeeded, not just in simplicity of design (composition) but in simplicity of color relationships. Smith's color problems parallel her composition problems—colors that superficially balance but defy the space for which they are designed. For example, the bright warm blue under the horse's chin in "Lily and the Egrets" that is not behind but in front of the chin.

There is something unassuming and intimate about Peter MacArthur's small photographs entitled, "Nicks of Time." There is a consistency of technical skill and response to the stimulus, or personal imagery, that stretches from the earliest executed in 1966 to the most recent 1992 prints. His technical response to the imagery, choice of sepia or black and white, response to the design elements of the landscape, and the emotional response all match.

The sepia-toned landscapes draw us more into a sense of history, a worn-ness, another time-ness, an emotional involvement, rather than grabbing our attention with the abstract possibilities of nature. Yet underlying the emotional strength is the artist's sensitive awareness and enhancement of texture and values.

"Kelp and Sand" in playing textures and values in this miniature blow up has the quality of an etching so finely tuned are the contrasts. The same can be said of "Big Sur Coast from Soberanes Point." How many photos we've seen of this view or similar, and yet there is a personal intimate vision here. He caresses them with time.

In contrast to the sepia's warmth, the black and whites appear icy, less infused with emotion, cerebrally cool and abstract. The sky studies are a spontaneous response to what appears through the lens, given association in the dark room.

Gregg Chadwick's "Floating World" is impressive reportorial painting. He consciously documents the fleeting images that describe the contemporary world . "Conscious" is the key word here. The original Floating World painters of Japan were not consciously recording the humble events and people around them as descriptions of their moment in history. They were painting the fleetingness of life. It happens from our perspective to describe their time.

But part of what makes our age what it is IS this consciousness. Events in the last 50 years have moved with such speed that this very speed of change has both caused our self conscious tread in history and defined us. Chadwick's paintings have it. There is message and vision within his reportorial observation organized on aesthetic principles. His observations are selective in what he observes for a cohesive personal statement and HOW he portrays them for aesthetic value.

"MISSION SAN ANTONIO" is one of the watercolors by local artist Alecia Meheen that will be on display at the Carmel Art Association Oct. 8 through Nov. 3. The show will include work from the years 1972 through 1992 and depict scenes from California, Nevada, Iran and Guatemala.

Why does "Passing View of Shohei Bridge" so ensnare me as I enter the gallery? By contrast to the others it is small. The solitude in the midst of others, the motion, the transiency are as large as life. I am drawn to a perfect arrangement of puzzle pieces, positive and negative color shapes that further divide into positive/negative value statements: shapes and colors and values with visual purpose of their own at the same time they serve a cerebral purpose (content), together I get a vision and message that relates to me personally.

Chadwick has absolute color control for spatial placement that is also highly charged emotionally and is abstract design. "Funeral at Kan'eiji," using color he selects out of all the information involved in "car" that which most precisely describes "carness." He gives us the shine, the feel, the weight, the dark cocoon of the interior, the whole car by a piece of the car; his color designs the rectangle by selection of the red roof rim and the bottom red car panel. Color charges the painting with angst. There are no mismatched parts.

It is always night in Chadwick's world. Man is most in his element at night. He is distinguished from the "natural" world of sunlight. At night he is alone with his aloneness, with his sins and his sorrows. Chadwick describes the inner and outer world of man's making—today.

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DISCOVERY – THE LIVELY ARTS

BY BARBARA ROSE SHULER

The Festival of Firsts playwriting competition is being streamlined this year from a two to three week event into a 10-day festival by Carmel Cultural Director Brian Donoghue.

Started in the mid 1970's by Carmel Mayor Gunnar Norberg, it has fostered the art of playwriting by accepting scripts from all over the country for the competition. Each year, a winning play is selected and produced on the Sunset stage. A number of finalists are also chosen from the 100 or so submissions. These plays, though not fully staged, are presented as reader's theater to be critiqued by a panel of regional theater experts—directors, playwrights, producers.

The Festival of Firsts has always been one of the more fascinating theatrical events of the region. Despite funding struggles over the years, it has also had the potential of developing into a distinctive national festival to support new playwriting talent.

Donoghue, who describes himself as a conservative when it comes to refining and expanding programs like this, seems committed to gradually building the Festival of Firsts into a lively, potent and multifaceted forum for new plays. "I think this could be the jewel in the crown in a couple of years in terms of city funded programs," he comments.

In addition to shortening the festival to 10 days, which Donoghue feels makes the event more manageable, he has boldly altered the staging of the winning play. The performance remains in Sunset theater. However, the stage itself will accommodate both the audience and the production, thereby providing a much more intimate, dynamic setting than possible in the standard 700 seat auditorium.

Theatergoers will enter from the side doors of the auditorium instead of the traditional front entrances. And finally, Donoghue himself is directing the winning play. He has been eager to return to directing, his avowed first love, since taking on the administrative tasks of cultural director of the city.

First prize and $1000 have been awarded to Arnold Johnson and Deborah Ann Percy of Kalamazoo, Mich., for their play "The Zamboni Situation." Johnson is a Western Michigan University professor of English. Percy is assistant principal at Kalamazoo's South Middle School. A play writing team for the past three years, their creative collaboration has already brought them national awards and an off-Broadway production.

"The Zamboni Situation," which opens this week, features four local actors—Chuck Thurman, Mary-Ann Lucido, Sandy Sidener and Hansford Prince. The plot revolves around a shooting in Detroit, under dubious circumstances.

"The writing is layered in such a way that it continually offers discoveries about the characters, in much the same way we constantly discover new facets in those we love and live with," says Donoghue.

Local director/producer Dan Gotch will continue his role as moderator of the panel discussions after the reading of the runner up plays. The two finalists are: James V. Hatch and William Beard of New York City for "The American Banner: The Blacks and the Irish," which examines the lives of two couples who arrive in New York City in 1880; and James L. Crowell of Bend Oregon for "Home to Monticello," which takes place on Jefferson's colonial plantation.

There will be two weekends of performances of "The Zamboni Situation", Sept. 24-27 and Oct. 2-4. The readings and open critiques of the finalists will take place Tuesday, Sept. 29 at 7 p.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m. The readings are all free and open to the public. Tickets for "The Zamboni Situation" are $5 and are available at Sunset Center or at the door. For more information call 624-3994.

Also this week at the Outdoor Forest Theater in Carmel the Grovemont Theater continues its Shakespeare Festival with rotating performances if "Macbeth" and "Othello." Dress warmly!

Popular actress Rosamond Goodrich continues at the Cherry Hall in Carmel with her one-woman show "Shirley Valentine" directed by Nick Zanides. Goodrich is always a treat to watch.

The Staff Players Repertory Company opens this week with a production of "American Dame" at the Steinbeck Forum in Monterey at the Conference Center.

There's plenty of theater happening as autumn begins. Enjoy!

Jacques Pepin Featured at Highlands

Jacques Pepin, who teaches healthy French cuisine on television, will be among the international chefs featured at the seventh annual Masters of Food and Wine at Highlands Feb. 23 to 28.

General manager David Fink said Pepin will be among a group of recognized chefs that include, for the first time, a chef from Australia.

Greg Brown of Melbourne's Browns restaurant, which was named Australia's Restaurant of the Year in 1990, will bring a touch of down under to the popular event.

Other chefs include Ekhart Witzigmann of Restaurant Aubergine, the first German chef to be awarded Michelin's coveted three stars, Joachim Splichal of Patina Restaurant of Los Angeles, Larry Forgione of New York's An American Place, Donatella Zampoli from the Marchesi L& P Antinori winery in Italy, Mark Militello of Mark's Place in Miami, pastry chef Jim Dodge of San Francisco and Brian Whitmer of Highland's Pacific's Edge restaurant.

Pepin, former personal chef to three FRench presidents, has the health-oriented tv series "Today's Gourmet" and the public television series, "Everyday Cooking with Jacques Pepin." He is the author of eight cookbooks and writes a monthly column for the New York Times.

Witzigmann is also a cookbook author and instructor and the featured chef on a German television series. He is the co-founder of Eurotoques, created in 1986 in Brussels as the first international association for chefs.

FOLK DANCERS will entertain at the Carmel Mission Fiesta on Sunday.

Set for Sunday

Mission Fiesta follows Serra Tradition

Following a tradition begun by Father Junipero Serra more than 200 years ago, the Carmel Mission Fiesta will be held Sunday in honor of San Carlos Borromeo to benefit the mission school named for the missionary priest.

Mariachi music, folk dancers, tacos, burritos, chicken barbecue, entertainment and crafts booths will be featured from noon to 5 p.m., Last year between 3,000 and 5,000 people attended. "We don't charge admission, so it's hard to know exactly how many came," said Bruna Odello, who chairs the event.

Last year, the Fiesta netted about $35,000. The proceeds go mainly to support the Junipero Serra School located adjacent to the Carmel Mission Basilica. "Half of this year's proceeds are earmarked for paving the yard," Odello said. The proceeds will also be used to support the youth ministries, she said.

The bulk of the money comes from the raffle tickets. Ticket sales provide prizes which total $2,000 in cash with $1,000 the top prize.

Featured entertainers will be the Mariachi Mixtlan, the Grupo Folklorico-Mexicana de Monterey, a folk dancing group and Judy and Bruce Cowan, a marimba duo.

Odello has headed the Fiesta committee for the past 15 or so years. In Father Serrra's day, an Indian was chosen to be El Capitan and organize the celebration. The Franciscan Padres and Indians celebrated the feast day of all major Franciscan saints, but the greatest celebration of all was for patron St. Charles Borromeo on Nov. 4.

The Junipero Serra Parents Club operates the children's entertainment booths at the Fiesta, including a fishpond, cakewalk, and Wheel of Fortune.

The Mission Fiestas were initially revived in 1931 and ended again in 1945. The present Fiesta is the 28th since they were revived once again in 1964 by Father Edward Poschen and Bishop Harry Clinch when he was at the Mission.

Monsignor D. Declan Murphy will lead a procession from the Basilica to the Mission courtyard with church bells pealing following an 11 a.m. mass.

Wildlife Show Will Feature Decoys, Tackle and Prints

The Central California Decoy and Fishing Tackle Show set for this weekend at the Monterey Conference Center will benefit the Ventana Wilderness Sanctuary, a non-profit organization dedicated to re-establishing the bald eagle population along the Central Coast.

Admission is free to the show which will run 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday.

English fishing flys in unopened packets dated 1895 will be for sale along with artwork by Western artists and carvings of wildlife subjects. Artwork from the Fly Fishing Museum and Angling Art Gallery of Florence, Ore. will also be on exhibit.

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Just Trying to Get Noticed?

Some of my fellow Carmelites are astonished that Carmel Citizens for Good Government (CCGG) have threatened a "housecleaning" of the City Council (Sun. Sept. 17) unless Mayor White and Councilmembers Livingston and Brooks agree within 30 days to support six CCGG proposals. The militancy and the ultimatum do seem inappropriate—except in their broader context: Here we are in the final days of a hysterisleazical presidential battle barely interrupted by two historical hurricanes; shucks, you're kind of forced to act like Saddam Hussein if you're going to get noticed this season. If the CCGG keep up this behavior after November, I think they're going to look pretty silly.

Fenn C. Horton
Carmel

How Can Others Live in Peace?

Sad that our Village has come to this. It was very easy to see it coming, watching from the sidelines. If our one-square-mile Village can not compromise and live in peace, how can we expect the rest of the world to settle big differences.

The Carmel Residents Association (CRA) members have good intentions, hoping to "save" Carmel from over-building, over-touristing and over-traffic. I believe everyone wants this, even Carmel Citizens for Good Government (CCGG).

The CCGG group has waited patiently for eight years for the CRA to stop nit-picking and agree on a commercial zoning line that will protect Carmel-by-the-Sea and yet not down-zone anyone's property.

I was disappointed by the comments I read recently in the *Sun* and *Pine Cone*. Our elected officials still believe only "their side" counts and that only six or eight disgruntled people are unhappy. The fact is, there are many people on both sides weary of the wrangling and name-calling—on and on, for eight years.

Thirty years ago, I spent two weeks here in a home south of Ocean. Except for the new Leidig and Eastwood Buildings and Carmel Plaza, the town looked exactly the same back then. The people were happy and prosperous; they held a fire wagon race and a street dance.

Back then, my dream was to one day live here. Now that I am here, what I find is friend pitted against friend. In an effort to "save" Carmel, which has not changed that much in 30 years, a small group of people decided to change the zoning. In so doing, they infringed on a number of property owners' legal rights. Without meaning to, they are killing the heart and soul of Carmel. Elected officials everywhere should govern by making decisions for all the people, not special interest groups. Mayor Ken White has been trying to do exactly this. Two Planning Commissions spent hours trying to find a compromise, a workable solution for all the people. What happened was the city staff drew up one idea in 1984, and a few people grabbed it and now refuse to budge, refuse to compromise.

Maybe it is time to let democracy work by having an election on zoning. Special interests should not interfere. We have had more than enough of that. The CRA has laid out why takes the position it does. It has done it's job. Now, let democracy work.

Maybe it can "save" Carmel, heart, soul and reputation.

Muriel Miller
Carmel

Are Pot and Kettle Both Black?

I couldn't believe my eyes when I looked at the local tabloids. An arrogant group of 12 people are threatening three dedicated public officials with recall—when two have only been in office for five months.

The basis for the accusations seems to be the expenditure of funds for several public projects. Some of those accused weren't even on the council when these projects were voted on.

Isn't it interesting that when Carmel Citizens for Good Government's most famous member, Mr. Eastwood, was mayor, he indebted the city $215,000 a year for five years ($1,075,000) for the new library branch, which many feel was not sound planning to build a children's library so far from the main branch in a village with very few children. And, in purchasing the Handley property, Mr. Eastwood further indebted the city for $450,000 for 10 years ($4,500,000). For those who don't want to add, this totals over $5.5 million.

Is this an example of the pot calling the kettle black?

During this critical time, the entire City Council needs to focus its energy on making positive budgetary steps. They should not have to be distracted by a small, special-interest political action committee issuing demands and making threats.

Margaret L. Purchase
Carmel

CRA Upholds Residential Values

Calls for City Council members to renounce their Carmel Residents Association memberships must be based on one or both of these premises:

o The CRA purpose and focus are not in the interest of Carmel and its well being.

o Elected officials who are CRA members are in the thrall of the CRA and cannot be relied on to act fairly and independently on the merits of decisions before them.

Both premises are false.

o The purpose of the CRA as stated in its by-laws is the exact same wording affirming residential values contained in the 63-year-old city ordinance which hangs in the council chamber for all to see. If this purpose is the problem, that's the issue, not the CRA.

o The second premise is demeaning to these council members who have served Carmel in various capacities over the years and served our city well as CRA members.

We have enough acrimony and specious charges in the national elections. We don't need it here in Carmel. As Rodney King stated so well after the Los Angeles riots, "Can't we all get along?"

Lou Rolle
Carmel

A Letter to County Public Works

Recently you attended a town meeting hosted by Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman at the Tularcitos Grade School in which the replacement of Rosie's Bridge was discussed. Unfortunately I was unable to attend but it was brought to my attention that you stated the bridge was unable to support highway size trucks, including fire engines.

Obviously if this is correct, it creates a hazard for my fire personnel and the general public which I feel should have been brought to our attention when this was determined.

Rosie's Bridge is posted two axle maximum weight of 17 tons (34,000 pounds). Our heaviest engine is our Office of Emergency Services 243 pumper which weighs 30,000 lbs with four firefighters on board. If the bridge is posted correctly, then I don't see the problem; if it is not posted correctly I would appreciate immediate notification so that we

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OUT AND ABOUT

BY STAN HALL

I hope you saw Elaine Gloodt's cartoon in the *Sun* last week. It was a dandy. It showed Mayor Ken White standing amidst a group of Carmel people doing what they do most naturally—fighting.

The mayor, who campaigned in part on a platform to bring Carmel together again, was shown holding aloft a peace pipe and complaining, in effect, "Why doesn't this thing work." An Indian apparition appeared in the sky above him and explained, "The trouble is you don't inhale."

Ever since we moved here, Isabelle has always jokingly said that the reason people around here fight over everything must be because of something in the air. If you take Elaine's cartoon to heart, maybe she is right.

I've never lived anywhere where people fight more. They fight over everything—freeways, fences, zoning, redistricting, water, parks, parking, trails, preservation, lack of preservation, trees, lack of trees, beaches, lights, lack of lights, budgets, streets, roads, any new construction—anything they can think of.

Not only do they fight more, they are downright nasty about it. The meanness in the rhetoric that some residents have been directing at their neighbors is shocking. Epithets such as McCarthyites, thought police, and Hitlerites are common.

What makes this doubly striking is that it occurs in this little community where just about everybody knows everybody else. I know people on both sides who will go to a social event, shake hands with good old Joe, clap him on the back and ask him how wife Martha is. But then they will go home and write a statement or a letter to the editor that makes good old Joe out to be something just short of a mass murderer because of his membership in this group or that.

In fairness, it's just not Carmel people who fight all the time and are so nasty to those who don't agree with them; it's endemic around here. Look at how mean they are to one another in Pacific Grove. Seaside and lately Marina are battling everybody else over Fort Ord. The people in North County got so mad they sued over redistricting plans, Cachagua is up in arms over being charged half-price development fees to fix Carmel Valley Road and the water management district has everyone mad at it.

It must be that all these people smell the same air—whatever it has or doesn't have. Remember that old song, *Home on the Range,* that has a line in it "where seldom is heard a discouraging word...?" Well, it obviously wasn't written about here.

I have a couple of unscientific theories about why people here fight so much. First, a lot of retired people have chosen to live here. You know, the ones who go out in the morning, greet their neighbor with "Here's to another beautiful day in paradise." Unfortunately, it seems as if some of these same people must then go back inside and devote their morning to writing down vile names to call somebody.

I don't think retirees are inherently mean. I was ready to become one until I figured out that I was going to be bored to death if I didn't do something else. But they usually do have time on their hands, and most of them have moved here from some place else—a place where they were successful.

Having already made their money elsewhere, they do not have a stake in the local business community. They certainly don't have the same interest in the business community that they would have even in the one where they had once made their living.

In many communities where it's difficult to eke out a living, residents form a bond with one another based on their shared striving for something better. That's not the case here.

The wide disparity of income between many residents and the people who staff the shops and serve residents' needs does not contribute to any camaraderie growing out of a common struggle. Real estate costs being what they are, many of the people who work in Carmel do not live in the city.

It seems to me that the heart of the fight in Carmel pits business which would like to make changes to make it easier to succeed against residents who fear that any changes will dramatically degrade the quality of life.

On the surface, that doesn't sound like it should be an unbridgeable irreconcilable chasm. But it seems to have been one for most of Carmel's history. I wonder if the dispute has always been marked by such bitter rhetoric?

Until we moved here, some of the toughest rhetoric I ever encountered was during labor negotiations while I worked at General Motors. Both labor and management were able to put together some pretty good zingers during the height of the battle. No quarter was asked, and none was given.

But once the negotiations were over, the strong rhetoric generally was put away until the next time. The main reason was simple: both labor and management had a shared economic interest in seeing that the company was successful, and they knew that if they didn't work together, the company couldn't prosper.

There seems to be little shared interest between the residential and business communities in Carmel. From what I've read of its history, it has ever been thus. The first residents were mainly vacationers and writers, actors, musicians—bohemians. Like many of today's residents, they were not sympathetic whether the local shops were profitable—especially if they catered to tourists.

So, what's the answer? I wish I knew. I do know that as long as the rhetoric in the dispute remains industrial-strength, it will be harder to find an acceptable compromise. Maybe a good start would be for everybody simply to pledge to be civil to one another even if they do disagree. It sure couldn't hurt.

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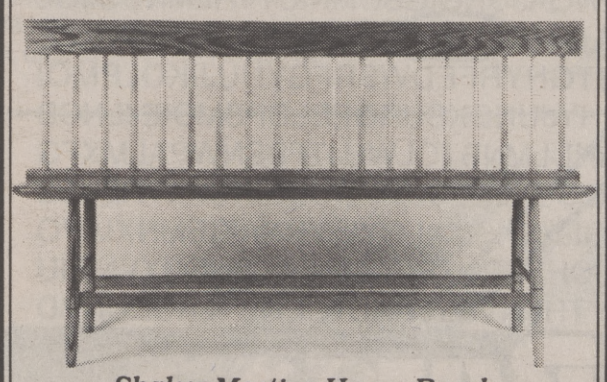

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Carmel Valley may not have the dairy farms, acres of orchards and intensive farming it had years ago, but a vine-ripened tomato, a crisp head of lettuce or ears of sweet corn can still be had fresh from Carmel Valley fields. You just need to know where to go.

Wolter's Farm, Earthbound Farm, and Martin's—all located in Mid Valley—each offer their own farm specialities. Residents can pick up produce on their way home from work, while other folks make special trips to the Valley in search of the fresh vegetables.

Coming out from Highway 1, the first produce stand is operated off the back of a truck at the Valley Hills Shopping Center. Karen and Russel Wolter sell their produce every afternoon from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m. except on Thursdays when they take the fruits of their labors to the Farmer's Market at Monterey Peninsula College (MPC).

"We're the only farmers in the Valley who still operate their own family farm," Russel Wolter said. He started running the operation when he was a senior in high school in 1950-51. His father, Luis F. Wolter, had suffered a stroke, so he attended school a half a day, enabling him to earn the credits he needed to graduate, and worked on the farm the rest of the day.

"On it goes, a day at a time," Wolter laughed.

Regular customers can expect a one-liner served up with their vegetables from Wolter who punctuates his humorous comments with his hearty laugh.

The Wolters raise organic produce. "We like our tomatoes," he said. "We think they are fabulous." He said this year's crop will go on until mid-November or until the first frost.

"Do you have any checkerboard corn?" a customer asked. "That's my favorite," she said of the sweet corn which has both yellow and white kernels on each ear.

Wolter said his wife's favorite lettuce is limestone, but other customers tell them their red lettuce has the best flavor of any they've found. One college girl who attends MPC stopped three nights running last week to buy wax beans.

Other specialities include Sunburst squash which Wolter said customers like because of its bright orange color, lemon cucumbers, Blue Lake beans, red chard, gourds, and yellow and red cherry tomatoes.

The Wolters opened their stand about six weeks ago, he said.

A few hundred yards down the road is another newly opened stand. Located on Leonard and Emily Williams' property, the stand is run by Earthbound Farm which is owned by Myra Rubin and Drew Goodman.

They lease 90 acres of land in Mid Valley and Watsonville where they grow their produce, according to stand manager, Kim Donlon. The company is building a reputation for its washed and bagged lettuce, Donlon said. The mixed greens with herbs, baby romaine, baby spinach and Asian lettuce are sold at the stand and are available at local grocery stores.

Donlon said Earthbound Farms also grows its produce organically, makes its own compost and has workers who hand weed the fields.

An old farm house serves as the back drop for the stand. Whimsical, country-style,wooden paintings by Carmel artist Karen Gelff cover the farm house windows. One of the paintings depicts a black dog eyeing a pie sitting on a table. Donlan said the dog pictured belongs to the Earthbound Farm owners.

Besides the bagged lettuce, Earthbound Farm features flowers, tomatoes, squash, raspberries, herbs, grapes, lemons and beans.

RUSSEL WOLTER RECOMMENDS his vine-ripened tomatoes to his roadside customers. Kim Donlon, below, manages the Earthbound Farms stand near Valley Hills Shopping Center. *Sun photos by Carolyn Rice*

MARTIN'S VEGETABLE STAND near Schulte Road sells fresh candy corn and other vegetables grown in fields behind the picturesque red, ivy-covered stand.

A blackboard with a daily trivia offering stated, "An adult has 206 bones and a newborn infant 300. Honeybees are deaf. And turtles too."

Driving further east into the Valley, Julia and Santos Mayorga have operated Martin's Vegetable Stand near Schulte Road for "maybe 34 years," according to Julia Mayorga.

She pointed with pride to the Monterey County Fair trophies which hang near the ceiling of the vegetable stand. "I have more at the house," she said. Their company, Santos Minjares Produce, has entered its vegetables for many years at the fair competition.

The roof of the picturesque, red wooden stand is covered with ivy and a pile of bright orange pumpkins adds to the rich bombardment of colors at the shop.

The Mayorgas offer a wide variety of vegetable and fruits including fresh candy corn grown in the fields behind the stand, lettuce, tomatoes, zucchini, string beans and pumpkins.

Candy corn is a variety of sweet corn which is popular with customers, Mayorga said. White corn, another popular item, will be ready in three weeks, she said. The stand offers fresh corn picked daily up into October. Fresh flowers, snacks and beverages are also sold there.

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Five Red Cross Volunteers Aid Kauai, Florida, Guam Victims

Three American Red Cross volunteers from Carmel have gone to Kauai, Guam and Florida to assist victims of recent hurricanes and typhoons, and two more volunteers are ready to leave.

"This seems to be a banner year," said Lynette Balesteri, executive director of the Carmel Red Cross. This time of year is the normal high response time for disasters, but the number has been particularly high this year, Balesteri said.

Kay Grant of Carmel Valley flew to Florida on Saturday, and Bob Kohn of Carmel traveled to Kauai on Sunday. Pat Steele of Carmel has been in Guam for two weeks helping on that island which suffered massive damage from Typhoon Omar which struck between the time that Hurricane Andrew hit Florida and Hurricane Iniki struck in Hawaii.

Balesteri said the Florida and Kauai hurricanes left so much destruction in their wake that Red Cross assistance will continue for three or four months. "When you have that much destruction you can't solve it all in three or four weeks," she said.

The volunteers who commit to serving in disaster areas sign an agreement that they be available on a 24-hour notice to work for a minimum of three weeks, Balesteri said. They can be sent anywhere in the country.

"To say you will do it is one thing. To actually do it is something else. You put your life on hold for three weeks." She said four other Carmel Chapter volunteers are awaiting assignments.

Before she left, Grant said she did not know what she would be assigned to do in Florida. She has taken Red Cross courses in family services, first aid, damage assessment and mass care. She will be assigned to work in some aspect of mass care which can range from managing a shelter or a kitchen to driving an emergency response vehicle, she said.

Grant said she signed on as an emergency relief volunteer last Monday and received a call to go on Wednesday. "I have the training, and I feel I can help," she said. "It could have happened to us. We have to help each other. If we don't, we'll all be in trouble."

Balesteri said Kohn will be doing damage assessment in Kauai. He is quite familiar with the island, having traveled there on business about 60 times during the past 20 years, she said. "He has a tremendous knowledge of the island."

Kohn will help provide the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) with a list of damages, Balesteri said.

Steele has been working on family services in Guam, helping families find semi-permanent housing, Balesteri said.

Jeffrey Lach from the Rocky Point area, and who is known locally as "Cupid" will leave for Miami on Sunday. Marilyn Bridgewood of Carmel is expecting to receive an assignment momentarily, Balesteri said.

On Kauai,11 shelters are open, and more than 10,000 meals have been served. Red Cross staff and volunteers on the island number 666, according to a Friday American Red Cross bulletin.

A report on Florida issued at the same time said 20 service centers are open, and 78,808 meals were served the previous day. A total of 3,122,303 meals had been served to date, according to the Red Cross. The housing has been consolidated to one location with a population of 333, and a total of 22,509 families have sought assistance.

Balesteri said American Eagle will give free air delivery of case lots of goods from Monterey to Florida. Disposable diapers, toilet tissue, canned goods and personal hygiene items can all be accepted at the Carmel Chapter if donated in unopened cardboard cases, Balesteri said.

The agency can also use boxes of coated roofing nails size No. 4. She said monetary donations are used for vouchers for the victims to enable them to buy food, clothes or tools they need to get back to work.

In times of disaster, people in this area are always wonderfully supportive monetarily, she said. "But nationwide, we're nowhere what we need."

The local chapter can process disaster welfare inquiries for people who have family members in the disaster areas who they have not been able to contact. To date the national Red Cross has processed 8,468 inquiries relating to the three recent disasters, and 4,955 have been completed, Grant said.

Balesteri said a class for 25 Red Cross disaster volunteers will be taught at Sunset Center Sept. 26 beginning at 8 a.m. on Saturday and lasting until 8 a.m. Sunday. "They will set up a disaster center and experience what victims experience," she said.

During each major national disaster the local Red Cross office usually has several people who walk in off the street to volunteer to go help. But Balesteri said no matter how wonderfully qualified they might be, the Red Cross cannot send them unless they've completed the required courses.

"We can run these classes anytime," she said. She urged anyone with an interest to call the Carmel Chapter at 624-6921. "As sure as God made little green apples, there will be another disaster," she said.

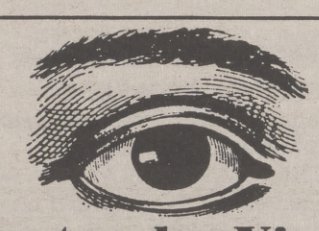
KAY GRANT OF CACHAGUA, shown at left, is one of five local Red Cross volunteers who are now working or will soon be sent to work in relief efforts in Guam, Florida and Kauai. Also pictured, Lynette Balesteri, executive director, and Phyllis Crockett, Carmel Valley, worked along with Grant to raise relief funds following the Loma Prieta earthquake.

Kauai Animals Need Aid

The Kauai Humane Society needs donations for animals left homeless and injured by Hurricane Iniki, according to Suzanne Talbot of Carmel Valley.

She said Pamela Beauchamp, her sister who lives in Kauai and lost most of her home, reported that besides homeless and injured animals, people are having problems caring for their own pets in the aftermath of the storm which left many people homeless.

Donations of money, bedding, sheets and towels can be sent to the Kauai Humane Society, Hanapepe, Kauai, Hawaii, 96716.



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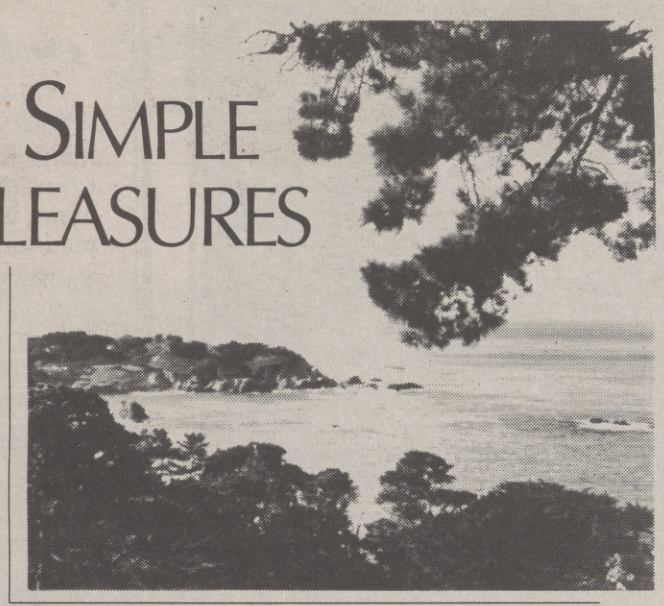

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By Mike Gorczyca and Jerry Pullen

Welcome back to Fun-by-the-Sea. Here's what's happening in the Carmel-by-the-Sea Recreation Department, located at Vista Lobos on Torres Street between 3rd and 4th Ave. in Carmel. For more information about any of the following events, please call us at 626-1255.

Get your shovels! Great Sand Castle Contest Will Be October 3rd 1992. The 32nd Annual Great Sand Castle Contest on Carmel Beach--the event of the year for many builders and watchers alike—will be held Oct. 3rd. The theme will be "Creature Castles." The contest, co-sponsored by the American Institute of Architects Monterey Bay Chapter and the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea, annually draws several thousand people, depending on the weather.

Open Gym Basketball The Recreation Department hosts adult open gym basketball at the Carmel Middle School on Carmel Valley Road. Basketball is scheduled on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Participation fee of $2 is taken at the door.

Jazz Jazz is alive at J.O.'s Lumberyard Room at Vista Lobos. The first and third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Nick William's music presents a variety of jazz, and there is no admission fee. Seating is limited so its a good idea to arrive early.

Adult Bingo The hottest game in town continues to be ADULT BINGO on Wednesday evenings, 6:45 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at Vista Lobos located on Torres Street between 3rd and 4th Avenue in Carmel. A relaxing and inexpensive fun evening can be found here!! Ten games played each Wednesday. Win $$$. Only $1 for a sheet of 4 cards.

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See you in two weeks. For more information call 626-1255.

SURFIN' SAFARI ON SUNDAY at the Carmel Valley Community Youth Center will feature a skateboard exhibition and rock n' roll by Close Enuff. An ugliest Hawaiian shirt, limbo, hula-hoop, dance and water balloon contests will take place at the event between noon and 5 p.m. The free event enables students to raise money for their classes and organizations with food booths.

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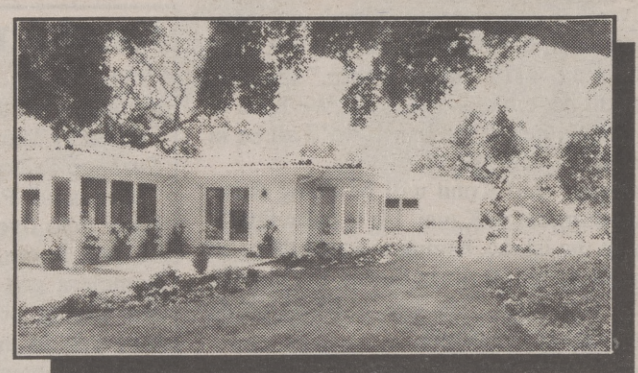

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The following property sales were recorded in the office of the Monterey County Recorder from September 7, through September 13, 1992. The information is taken from records available to the public. Sale prices are estimated on the basis of transfer tax paid to the county.

The Sun makes every effort to report these sales accurately, but anyone should consult a Realtor or other investment professional before taking action based on this information.

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4TH AVENUE. Ralph A. Parker to Michael S. and Janet Freed. $289.000.

Greater Carmel

26253 HILLTOP PLACE. Charles N. and Sherralyn J Perry Jr. to John R. and Anne K. Porteous $815,000.

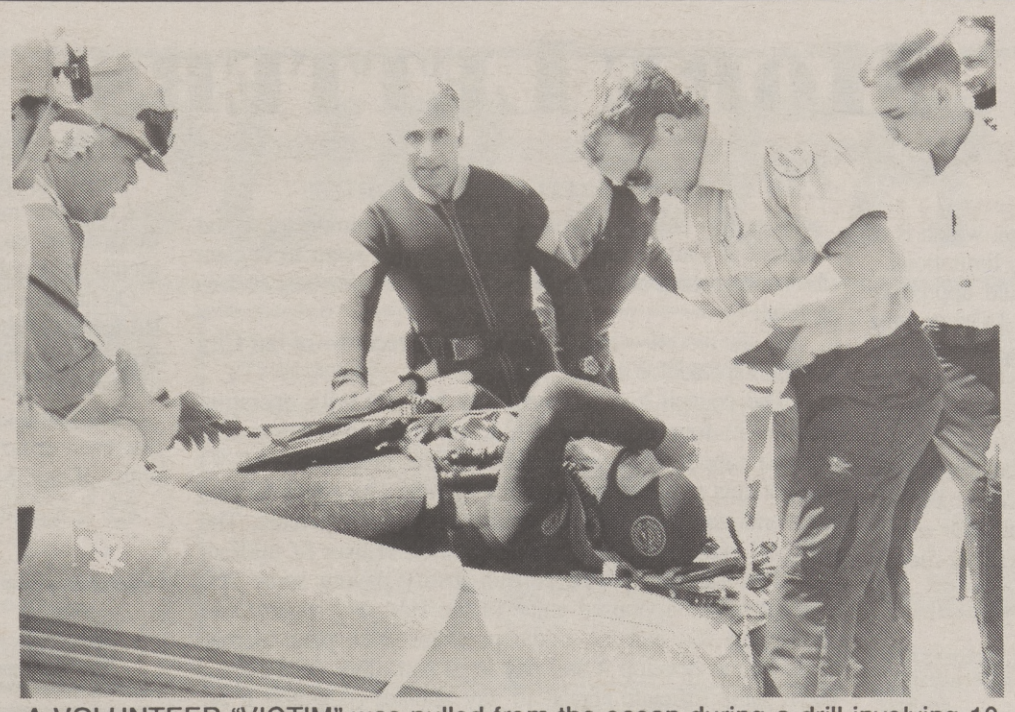
Pebble Beach

975 CAYUSE ROAD. Raymond and Shirley Freschi to Ross and Laura Finney. $960,000.

VISCAINO ROAD. The Money Source to David W. and Anne M. Noller. $817,500.

3141 STEVENSON DRIVE. George D. and Emilia D. Hopkins to Gerald W. and Dorothy J. Williams. $567,500.

1056 SAN CARLOS ROAD. Robert D. and Theresa M. Fultz to David B. and Sandra H. Day. $480,000.



A VOLUNTEER "VICTIM" was pulled from the ocean during a drill involving 10 agencies. Four men from the Monterey County Sheriff's Search and Rescue team and the Pacific Grove Rescue Team donned wetsuits and swam into Carmel Bay Sept. 22 to be rescued by boat, a lifeguard and helicopter. The other agencies who participated were the Carmel Fire and Police Departments, California Parks Department, Carmel Highlands Fire Department, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Carmel Regional Ambulance, the Coast Guard and the County Communications Department.

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The key is to beef up the adjustment to income "above the line"; that is, above line 31 on your tax return, your adjusted gross income.

How? Put as much as you can into deductible IRAs and Keogh accounts. Invest in your company's 401(K) plan. If your company offers a Flexible Spending Account, take advantage of this opportunity to pay medical and/or child-care costs with untaxed dollars. Even alimony is an above-the-line adjustment.

Another way to trim the AGI is by taking any business deductions to which you are entitled. This includes unreimursed partnership expenses, and, for the self-employed, the cost of a home office and some health insurance costs.

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may mitigate this hazard as soon as possible.

My next concern is the Boronda Road bridge, which is of similar construction and is not posted as to any limitations.

I am concerned over these issues and would appreciate your timely reply in regards to these matters. I do have some ideas for improving our ingress and egress capabilities into these two extremely sensitive areas not only from a fire fighting problem but other natural disaster potentials such as flood and earthquake.

William H. Sims, Fire Chief
Carmel Valley Fire Protection District

The letter was written to Gerald Gromko, director of the County Public Works Department, with a copy to the Sun.—The Ed.

Juvenile Reasoning

To be a member of the Carmel City Council one must be a legal resident of the city and have been voted into office by the legal voter residents of the city. Council members Brooks, Livingston and White were duly elected, never concealing the fact they are members of the Carmel Residents Association (CRA).

To now have it suggested that they would in any way vote or behave differently as council members if they resigned from the CRA is juvenile reasoning. They surely joined the CRA because they agreed with what the organization believes in. They want it to be maintained as Ordinance 96 says it should be.

Harriet Shanner
Carmel

Can't Afford Sacramento Politics

Those few but vocal critics of restoring common sense and fairness to Carmel city government always seem to neglect the voting record of those elected public servants they seek to defend.

But the record— and it's a very poor record—of our City Council speaks for itself:

• The council has approved city budgets with operating deficits in four of the past five years totaling some $2.2 million (about $524 per resident). The proposed 1992/93 budget cuts materials and service spending by some 40 percent and staff salaries and benefits by about 5 percent. The 1993/94 budget shows a projected deficit of over $1 million.

• How can any public servant justify paying some 200 percent of the appraised value of the Hodges Property and borrowing 100 percent of the purchase price plus another $650,000 to develop it and pay legal and other costs? Plus, these same officials agreed to pay another $250,000 if an "event of taxability" happens to the Hodges Trust. The total bill for the Hodges/Rio Park property will be some $5 million or about $1,200 per resident.

It seems that every time a public servant gets hit with his or her record, they say "Well, I may have made a mistake but let's work together." That translates to: "Just vote for me again."

We all make mistakes but elected officials must be held accountable for their decisions—holding public office should not be just a popularity contest. Failing to demand fiscal responsibility was a very serious error by our council. It's worth noting that as recently as five months ago, some council members were advocating more government spending—at the same time we were headed for a $1.1 million budget deficit.

Part of the problem is that most Council Members' priorities focus on more spending, more government, more regulations, more taxes and so on. I just don't want more Sacramento style politics in City Hall—we can't afford it.

On the other hand, Carmel Citizens for Good Government's Restore the Heart of Carmel plan—which is the first positive, zero cost plan of its kind in the city's history—is 100 percent focused on fixing our problems fast.

The "usual critics" should keep that in mind. All I ask is that each critic say what element of the plan they disagree with—if any. My guess is we can all agree on this one.

Howard Nieman , Jr.
Carmel

LEGAL NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

**SUPERIOR COURT
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MONTEREY
Case No. M24643
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CCP1277
FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Filed August 21, 1992
Date: October 9, 1992
Time: 9:30 am
Dept: Law & Motion**

IN THE MATTER of the Application of Christi Venter, Petitioner, and KIRI AUDREY TAYLOR (Venter) and PHILLIP TREVOR TAYLOR (Venter), minors/applicants, BY: CHRISTI VENTER, their Natural Mother, for Change of Name

WHEREAS CHRISTI VENTER, Petitioner, and natural mother of applicants KIRI AUDREY TAYLOR (Venter) and PHILLIP TREVOR TAYLOR (Venter), minors, has filed a petition with the Clerk of this court for a decree changing Petitioner's and Applicant's names from: CHRISTI VENTER to CHRISTIANNA ALEXANDRE, KIRI AUDREY TAYLOR (Venter) to KIRI AUDREY ALEXANDRE, and PHILLIP TREVOR TAYLOR (Venter) to PHILLIP TREVOR ALEXANDRE.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above matter appear in the Law and Motion Department of this court, located at 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, California 93940, on October 9, 1992 at 9:30 A.M., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order to show cause be published in the *Carmel Valley Sun,* a newspaper of general circulation printed in Monterey County, California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition.

DATED: August 21, 1992
JOHN M. PHILLIPS
Judge of the Superior Court

Published: Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24, 1992.

-PUBLIC NOTICE-

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Filed September 11, 1992
File No. F921522

The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as:
BIRD BRAIN IDEAS
26595 Canada Way
Carmel CA 93923
TERRE LYONS
Same as above

This business is conducted by an individual.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on September 12, 1992.

(s) Terre Lyons

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Filed August 14, 1992
File No. F921368

The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as:
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Santa Cruz Calif 95060
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(s) Robert Allen, Vice President
Vanguard Ambulance Service

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Filed September 8, 1992
File No. F921495

The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as:
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Carmel CA 93923
BARRATT H. ROWLEY
50 Laurel Dr.
Carmel Valley CA 93924

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(s) Barratt H. Rowley

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Filed September 1, 1992
File No. F921451

The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as:
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DARLENE JOAN WRIGHT
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(s) Darlene Wright

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Filed September 1, 1992
File No. F921448

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(s) James A. Petralia, President

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Filed September 8, 1992
File No. F921503

The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as:
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Carmel CA 93921

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(s) Barbara Jones

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Filed September 18, 1992
File No. F921560

The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as:
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Carmel CA 93923
FINANCIAL RESOURCES CENTER INC. Calif. Corp.
126 Clocktower Place
Carmel CA 93923

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Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on September 18, 1992.

(s) Richard M. Graves, Vice Pres.
FINANCIAL RESOURCES CENTER

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Filed September 8, 1992
File No. F921493

The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as:
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Carmel Valley CA 93924
JOHN ERIC MOSS
same as above

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Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on August 13, 1992.

(s) Pre-Cognative Re-Education, Inc.
John Eric Moss (Rick), President

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Filed August 7, 1992
File No. F921335

The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as:
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BIG SUR LOCAL TRADER
SUR
1st House Pfeiffer Point Ridge
Big Sur, CA 93920
Lawrence J. Share
Same as above

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(s) Lawrence J. Share

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Padres Look to Return of QB Geisler

The Carmel High Padres are looking forward to their matchup against Monte Verde Christian at home Saturday and the return of first string quarterback John Geisler. They surely would like to forget what happened last week in Santa Cruz.

The Cardinals hammered Carmel 36-0 in its second football game of the season, leaving in doubt just what the Padres' prospects are in the Mission Trail Athletic League this year.

"Thank goodness that game doesn't have anything to do with us getting in the playoffs," said Coach Craig Johnston. "Santa Cruz is a very good football team. They have very, very fast people."

Carmel handily won its season opener against Harbor High of Santa Cruz, but Johnston suggested at the time that Santa Cruz would be a better measure of how Padres stack up this year. Harbor hasn't won on the gridiron since 1988.

While Carmel was getting roughed up by Santa Cruz, Monte Vista of Watsonville, playing only the second football game in its history, lost to Robert Louis Stevenson 44-0. In its season opener, RLS lost 30-14 to Santa Cruz.

Johnston said he is looking forward to this Saturday's matchup with Monte Vista and having Geisler back in the lineup. Geisler, a sophomore, was scheduled to start as the Padre field general this year, but broke a finger on his throwing hand in a pickup game just before the season started and had to sit out the first two games.

Johnston didn't lay all of the blame for Carmel's loss to Santa Cruz on his team. "We were outcoached and outplayed all afternoon," he said. "We were so concerned with their speed that we didn't get lined up correctly. That hurt us."

Santa Cruz cruised behind a crushing ground game, led by Jermaine Robinson and Reggie Stephens, which rolled up 339 yards, compared to just 71 for the Padres. In the air, Carmel completed 19 of 38 passes for 143 yards to just 79 for the Cardinals, but quarterback Robert Shaffer, subbing for Geisler, threw four interceptions.

Saturday's 2 p.m. game against Monte Vista is Carmel's last non-league tuneup outing. It will open MTAL play Oct. 2 at Gonzales.

In last week's freshman/sophomore game, Santa Cruz walked away with a 44-6 win. Carmel's only score was on a 30-yard pass from Ryan Sanchez to John Porteous in the final quarter.

FREE MUSIC will highlight the Cachagua Country Fair Saturday at the Cachagua Community Center. All the groups are contributing their talent to the community fundraiser. It starts at noon and includes games for kids, sports for adults, arts and crafts and food for everybody, a live auction and raffle. Performing will be Bluegrass Conspiracy, folk singer Pat Ireland and Heartstrings, an all woman folk and pop group. The DelValle Blues Band and the DiLorenzo Band will play in the evening for dancing. Heartstrings, shown above, includes Patti Walters, Marj Ingram, Pat Skinner and Paulette Lynch.

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